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Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Mundt Married 50 Years Last Week



MR. AND MRS. FRED A. MUNDT

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mundt observed their 50th wedding anniversary at their home Tuesday, June 5. A buffet dinner was served at noon to 31 relatives and friends, followed by "open house" afternoon and evening.

The house was decorated with beautiful flowers, and a tier wedding cake was the highlight of the afternoon and evening refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Mundt received a large number of cards, many beautiful and useful gifts. There were 104 guests entertained during the day. Interesting to note was the fact that two of the wedding guests of 1895 were present at this anniversary.

Mr. Mundt was born in Horton, N. S. Mr. Mundt in Wiscasset, Maine. They were married in New York and for four years made their home in Enfield, N.H., then moved to Bethel where they have since resided. Of their eight children, five are now living.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Silver and son, Roy, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Grover, Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. Ann Kendall, East Fryebury, N. H., Miss Charlotte Kendall, Thomas Wood, Winthrop, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Potter, Little Sebago; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Mundt, daughter Neva, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mundt, daughters Barbara and Evelyn, Westbrook; F. A. Wilson, Waverly, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Rolfe and family, Arlene and Lucette Rolfe, Mrs. Freeman Card and son, Harley, of Norway; Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney of Albany.

ARCHIE J. HUTCHINSON
Archie J. Hutchinson died at his home in West Bethel Sunday noon after a long illness.

He was born in Waterford in 1869 the son of Horace and Harriet Hutchinson, July 2, 1862, he married Jennie Mills and the family lived in Mason until about 20 years ago when they moved to West Bethel.

Mr. Hutchinson was a kind and genial friend to all who knew him, and was especially loved and respected by the children. Always ready to respond to their greetings with a smile and a pleasant word. He is survived by four sons, Curtis of Portland, Hollis of West Bethel, Loton of Bethel, and Gilman who is overseas with the 5th Army in Italy; a brother Loton, several grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from Union Chapel with the Rev. Alfred Merrill officiating. Floral tributes were many and beautiful. Bearers were the three sons, Curtis, Hollis and Loton Hutchinson, and Alfred Merrill. Interment was at Riverside Cemetery at Bethel.

ENGAGEMENT
Mrs. Arthur J. Ladd is announcing the engagement of her daughter, Eva May, to George Mason Scholts, son of T. Henry Scholts of Randolph, New Hampshire.

The bride to be is being taught grade schools for many years in Rumford and nearby vicinities. At present she is a member of the U. S. N. R. and is stationed at Chelsea Naval Hospital.

Mr. Scholts attended Gould Academy and was a member of the U. S. Army for two and a half years. He is now employed by Goggin and Clark in Portland.

PULPWOOD VICTORY SHOW AT NORWAY SATURDAY
Demonstrations in the use of chain power saws in connection with the Pulpwood Victory Show in Norway Saturday will be held in the rear yard of the home of Leonard Newcomb, 33 Main Street, opposite the high school in the afternoon. This demonstration promises to be very interesting and hundreds of farm woodlot owners are looking forward to this demonstration.

The evening program at the Opera House begins at 7 o'clock with an hour of motion pictures (war films). At 8:05 Lloyd E. Brown, chairman of the Forest Products Committee of the Periodical Publishers' National Committee, will speak on Forest Products, and at 8:15 will begin a program of musical numbers and slight-of-hand acts.

Albert Duck, U. S. N. of Pensacola Florida is spending a fifteen day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Duck.

Word has been received by Mrs. Florence Bryant Holder of Gilead that her son, Pfc Clayton Bryant who has been stationed at Indian-town Gap the past month has arrived safely at his new post in Panama.

T-5 Stanley Carter, who has been ill in a hospital in the Philippines is now recovering.

Cpl. Richard Bean, who has been spending a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Arthur Johnson, and family, left Wednesday for Nebraska for reassignment. He recently completed his course as tail gunner on a B-20 at Buckingham Field, Fla.

Cpl. Olla G. Morgan has had 23 months of overseas duty with the 345th Engineer General Service Regiment. This unit constructed over 200 miles of portable pipe lines in the desert near Casablanca and Marakech and built a 30,000 man prisoner of war camp at Berberth. One of the first units in Naples, the 345th cleared and rebuilt roads, rehabilitated utilities systems and rebuilt 55 miles of 60,000 volt power lines in the Apennines.

Flight Officer Ernest Grover returned to New Mexico the first of the week after spending a few days at his home in Mason.

BETHEL LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Edna Smith is visiting Mrs. Della Smith at Portland.

Mrs. Ellen Littlehale went to Westworth, London, Monday.

Mrs. Merle Henderson is spending a few weeks at her home in Upton.

Miss Elaine and Joan Hobson have gone to Center Lovell for the summer.

Elaine Hobson was a week end guest of Barbara Keenan at North-west Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams of Shelburne, N. H. spent Thursday with Mrs. V. L. Crosby.

Cpl. and Mrs. Clayton Dane of Nahant, Mass. were in town over the weekend.

Miss Littlehale spent the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. Ellen Littlehale.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of West Parry spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Browne.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams of Winter Park, Florida, is visiting her son, Charles Merrill and family.

Leland Brown will go to Portsmouth, N. H. Sunday, where he will be employed as a summer.

Gayle Foster is leaving today for Temagami, Ont. where he will be in camp during the summer.

Miss Violet Campbell has returned to her home at Mayfield after spending the winter in California.

Mrs. Grace Westleigh enjoyed a vacation last week from her work at Bryant's Market. Mrs. Norma Westleigh worked there during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Barker of South Paris and Sgt. Arthur Barker of North Carolina were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Saunders, Sunday.

George Lakofsky of Hartford, Conn. was a guest of Miss Barbara Carson during Commencement and spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. John "Compass" who have been in New London, Conn. during the winter, are at their home here for the summer vacation.



CLASS OF 1945 (Courtesy Gould Blue and Gold)

Gould Academy's Graduation Weekend

The activities of Gould Academy's Commencement Weekend began with Class Day Exercises on Saturday afternoon, June 9. The annual Senior Reception was held in the William Bingham Gymnasium on Saturday evening.

At the baseball game between Gorham, New Hampshire High School and Gould Academy, held Saturday afternoon, Gorham won the game 9-5.

On Sunday, June 10, the Baccalaureate Services were held in the Congregational Church, with the Rev. John N. Foster of the West Parish Congregational Church of Bethel, delivering the address to the graduates.

At 4:30 P. M. Sunday, the tea for Alumni, parents and seniors was held in the Headmaster's Home.

The Commencement Concert for Sunday evening, students of the New England Conservatory of Music presented a very enjoyable program.

The following awards were made at the Commencement Exercises on Monday morning, June 11.

The Scholarship Cup, given each year to the class maintaining the highest average rank, was awarded to the class of 1945. The student obtaining the highest average rank for a period of time of over two years receives the honor of the Scholarship Shield. This honor goes to Priscilla Carver of Bethel.

The girls receiving the Athletic Medal, the highest award that can be received in athletics, were: Barbara Hastings, Patsy O'Brien, Phyllis Tobe.

To the boy and girl in each class maintaining the highest average of the year is awarded a scholarship medal. These medals were won by: Seniors: Priscilla Carver and Claire Lapham, Jr., Freeland Savage; Juniors: Mar-

ilyn Noyes and Theodore Emery, Jr.; Sophomores: Frances Vincent and Lawrence Clement; Freshmen, Ruth Judkins and Marvin Kendall.

The honor of having names engraved on a special Scholarship Shield for having received an average of 90% or better in all courses goes to: Priscilla Carver, Anna Swan, Claire Lapham, and Robert Foster.

To the boy maintaining the highest average in science and mathematics during his stay of at least two years at Gould is awarded the Rosenblum Medal. This award was made to Freeland Savage Jr.

The Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award for exceptional progress in science studies was awarded Robert Foster.

The Becker Scholarship Award for Commercial Excellence was awarded Katharine Kellogg.

The following students were elected to the National Honor Society. These students are elected on the basis of scholarship, service, leadership, and character of a high degree: Priscilla Carver, Phyllis Tobe, Robert Foster, Freeland Savage, Emil Winter.

By vote of the faculty the following seniors received medals for outstanding work in Dramatics, Athletics, and Citizenship: Freeland Savage and Barbara Wilson. Activities: Robert Foster and Priscilla Carver. Athletics: Emil Winter and Patsy O'Brien. Citizenship: Freeland Savage and Priscilla Carver.

Music Awards were won by Mary Sue Adams, Joan Allen, Priscilla Carver, Robert Foster, Elizabeth Gibbs, Mary Gibbs, Claire Lapham, Terri Ralph, Freeland Savage, Phyllis Tobe, Emil Winter, for membership in at least two musical organizations for each of their years at Gould, and contributed.

PVT. GAMMON PRAISES STATE GUARD TRAINING AS HELP IN ARMY OVERSEAS
Private F. M. Gammon, formerly of South Paris, is very glad that he was once a member of the Maine State Guard. In a letter received by Pfc. Gen. George M. Carter, Adjutant General of Maine, Private Gammon writes from Germany very interestingly and also points out the value of the State Guard training to those entering Federal service.

In this letter, Private Gammon says "You may be interested in this little paper telling about our division. It is a good outfit, for good I guess because they need units like it in the Pacific."

"Have got two combat stars in my BTO ribbon, a few more gray hairs and an overwhelming desire to get home and stay there."

"Have had no responsibility except for myself and have had a good chance to see what makes the wheels go around."

"Would like to say here, that one phase of my State Guard training was valuable. In the Maine State Guard and Reserve, the men were taught to use their ingenuity and initiative, two qualities that Army basic training does not teach."

"I have found that on numerous occasions that those two factors were indispensable over here in order to exist. We were called upon to do many things we had never heard of in the States. I am glad to say my State Guard training was very useful."

"May your splendid organization continue to keep its great record." Although he is now a private, Gammon was a Captain in the Maine State Guard Reserve and was commanding officer of the Headquarters Company, Oxford Battalion, when he was inducted into Federal service on January 27, 1944. As a member of one of the original State Guard Reserve Companies, he was for 23 months a member of the so-called Legion Brigade of Oxford County which was the predecessor of the State Guard Reserve and then the State Guard.

Private Gammon has a long military record for he was a member of the Massachusetts National Guard for one year and was for 11 years a member of the Maine National Guard.

DANCE GILEAD SAT. NIGHT, JUNE 16
8:15 35c

ing to the life of the school by individual and small group performances.

The Ralph Gould Award for Instrumental Music, which is awarded to the boy and to the girl of each graduating class who has made the greatest progress in instrumental music during their stays at Gould Academy was made to Phyllis Tobe for flute and piano. No award is made this year to a boy.

Through the generosity of President Kenneth Sills, Bowdoin College, a prize of \$25.00 was awarded for the best original essay on "International Cooperation." This award was made to Margery Howland, Class of 1945. Honorable mention should go to Ruth Judkins, Class of 1943.

Program:
Processional Orchestra
War March of the Priests
Mendelssohn
"The Star Spangled Banner"

Invocation: Rev. William Penner
Salutatory Essay: Musa K. Swan
"Backgrounds of Peace"
Selection from "Carmen": Bluet

First Honor Essay: Claire Lapham
"Dumbarton Oaks—Or What?"
Selection from "Carmen": Boys' Glee Club
"A Prayer for These Days": Parry
Second Honor Essay: Robert Foster
"National Planning"
Selection: Girls' Glee Club
"Flower in the Crannell Wall"
—Beck

Valedictory Essay: Priscilla Carver
"Dumbarton Oaks—Or What?"
Selection: "Tartary Glee Club"
"Love's Appeal"
Remarks and Awarding of Honors and Diplomas
Bluet F. Ireland, Headmaster
Benediction Rev. John J. Foster
Recessional

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LIONS OFFICERS ELECTED
Twenty-one members attended the meeting of the Bethel Lions Club at Bethel Inn Monday evening. The speaker was William Wing of Portland. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

President—William C. Chapman
1st Vice President—Philip R. Burns
2nd Vice President—Philip Chadbourne
3rd Vice President—Elmer Bennett
Sec-Treas—O. A. Pratt
Hon. Sec.—S. J. Leclair
Hon. Treas.—Richard Young
Directors—David Thompson, Isaac Dyer, Ralph Young, John J. Foster.

PRECH ORDERED RETURNED
Leonard Prech was ordered returned to Oklahoma Tuesday by U. S. Commissioner Sullivan of Portland. Prech was taken on May 14 at the Olson farm on Hill Hill, Bethel, and has been at the Maine General Hospital at Portland recovering from a bullet wound received on the day he surrendered here. An alleged fugitive from the Oklahoma penitentiary Prech was taken here on a charge of transportation of a stolen automobile and concealment of the vehicle. He pleaded guilty to the transportation charge.

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Dr. W. H. Boynton will be in Boston for study from June 10 to July 14.

Office hours will be held Saturday afternoons and evenings and Sunday mornings.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Japs to Press Suicide Attacks; Severe Terms Set for Germany; U.S. War Casualties Top Million

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Working under direction of Russian soldiers, German civilians clear rubble from Berlin's famed Unter den Linden for pedestrian and motor traffic. Picture shows extent of ruin of city during historic siege.

PACIFIC:

Suicidal Intent

Faced with the material superiority of the Allies, the Japanese announced intensification of their suicidal plane attacks, and at the same time threatened to send piloted balloons over the American mainland.

In revealing the acceleration of suicide attacks, which have inflicted a heavy toll of U. S. shipping off Okinawa without retarding its conquest, the Tokyo radio reported that every Jap navy plane will be ordered to crash-land into an Allied warship. "If this tactic is successful," it was blandly stated, "victory is assured. . . . If otherwise, the navy will have many heroes for our shrines."

In threatening to dispatch piloted balloons over the American mainland, the Japs said that the present piloted balloon bombs dropping on the west coast are being used for experimental purposes. Revealed by the army for their nuisance value, the missiles are borne by grayish, white or green-blue paper balloons 33 feet in diameter and lack direction.

While the enemy talked of stepping up use of suicide weapons to make up for his material inferiority, huge fleets of B-29s continued to raze Japan's great industrial centers, producing Nippon's weapons of war.

One by one, the enemy's sprawling manufacturing areas are being put to the torch, with Nagoya, Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka and Kobe all smoldering from tons of jellied gasoline incendiaries. In firing these cities, B-29 crewmen have spared air plants, steel mills, munitions factories, utilities, drug and dye centers, warehouses, port facilities and rail lines.

As the superforts continued to wreck ruin on the great industry Japan has carefully built up over 100 years, Pres. Harry S. Truman announced the U. S.'s intention to press the fight to the finish.

Calling upon the Japanese to quit and spare their country the destruction visited upon Germany, the President revealed that a force greater than the 3,500,000 men in Europe on V-E Day would be employed in the struggle besides the concentrated might of the navy with its strength in excess of 3,000,000.

Should the enemy elect to carry on the war, President Truman envisaged no easy job, what with the Japs reputed to have 4,000,000 men under arms and millions of military age eligible for service. The enemy still possesses 3,000 combat planes, he said, and Jap industry still is capable of turning out between 1,250 and 1,500 aircraft a month despite bombardments.

EUROPE:

Severe Terms

Stripping Germany of all Hitlerian conquests and subjecting the country to absolute Allied authority in every phase of national life, the U. S., British, Russian and French joint military control council, meeting in rubble Berlin, dictated the most severe terms ever imposed on a defeated power.

As U. S. representative, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's presence marked his first appearance in the former German capital following its downfall.

The signing of the declaration did not set final terms, leaving the

door open for further alterations of the German frontier already whittled to its 1937 size, and reserving the right to formulate any other orders relative to the regulation of the country.

In addition to remarking the German borders and assuming full authority over the life and death of every person in the shattered Reich, the Big Four claimed control over every labor union, industry and service for use in the occupation and reconstruction period.

Immediate establishment of machinery for the joint Allied military control to coordinate the work of the occupying powers struck a snag, with the Soviets insisting that the U. S. and Britain retire from the fringes of the Russian occupation zone before arrangements be discussed.

WAR CASUALTIES:

Top Million

Costliest of American conflicts, World War II already has claimed over 1,000,000 U. S. casualties, including 227,097 dead, 697,468 wounded, 63,455 missing and 104,867 prisoners.

With the big pull against the Japanese still ahead, U. S. dead exceed the 190,000 Union and Confederate soldiers killed in the Civil war, and the 50,280 troops who gave up their lives in battle in World War I. In

With Allied war expenditures estimated at \$58 billion dollars and those for the Axis 442 billion, the direct cost of World War II has topped the trillion mark, the American university of Washington, D. C., reported. Not included in the figures is the tremendous damage to private and public property, nor China's outlay during its 14-year conflict with the Japanese.

all, 620,000 men died in the War Between the States from all causes including disease and imprisonment while the toll in World War I approximated 125,000.

Of the 1,000,000 plus casualties suffered to date, 800,000 by the navy, army deaths total 183,563 and navy 43,534. Of the 52,746 army men listed as missing, little hope is left that an appreciable number of the 44,000 unaccounted for in Europe will now turn up following their continued absence after Germany's conquest.

FOOD OUTLOOK:

Cut Lend-Lease

Along with stoppage of shipments overseas, improved distribution to acute shortage areas should materially ease the tight meat situation during the July, August and September quarter, government officials said, though supplies will remain tight.

Suspension of meat shipments overseas reflects the gradual curtailment of lend-lease operations following Germany's defeat, with total food deliveries expected to drop to 2 or 3 per cent of the nation's supply by the end of the year compared with about 7 per cent in 1944. Overall relief shipments will rise 5 to 10 per cent, however, with wheat and flour the major "bulk" foods.

With federally inspected packers unable to keep up with both military and civilian demands, and non-federally inspected slaughterers' production quotas cut, small towns reportedly were beginning to feel the effects of the meat shortage. Except for those with food lockers, many farm wives were said to be taking their turn in line with town-folk for the dwindling supplies.

Food Sales Show Greatest Wartime Rise

Sales by restaurants, groceries and other food stores in the United States rose from \$12,693,000,000 in the prewar year of 1938 to \$28,261,000,000 in 1944, an increase of 122.7 per cent, according to the Alexander Hamilton Institute. This was a much larger percentage increase than that shown by retail sales of all other commodities which rose from \$25,360,000,000 to \$41,014,000,000.

Half of the gain in total retail trade from \$38,053,000,000 in 1938 to the record high figure of \$69,275,000,000 in 1944 was accounted for by the increase in food sales alone. In 1938, food sales represented 33.4 per cent of total retail trade. In 1944, food sales amounted to 40.8 per cent of the total. Reports for the first two months of 1945 show a continuation of the expansion in food sales.

NEW GERMANY:

Pope's Hope

Declaring that his residence in Germany as a papal nuncio had acquainted him with the great qualities of its people, Pope Pius XII hoped for the nation's rebirth to new life and dignity after the overthrow of national socialism and the expiation of war criminals.

Addressing the world on his name-day, the Pontiff said that the Vatican had concluded the concordat with Germany in 1933 to permit continued Catholic practice and establish a spiritual barrier to the subversive and violent doctrines of Nazism.

In defending the rights of small nations, Pius XII said that though they could be expected to surrender some sovereignty in world cooperation, they must be given full control over their internal affairs. With Europe desolated by the war, the Pope said that dispossessed, disillusioned and hopeless men threatened harmonious relations between the various segments of society.

NEAR EAST:

Power Politics

France's major foreign policy move took on a broader aspect, with Gen. Charles de Gaulle insisting on a five power parity for settlement of the entire near eastern situation.

Using his aces, De Gaulle's bid for a five power parity including the U. S., Britain, France, Russia and China would put him in a position to play up to the friendly Soviets for greater concessions in Syria and Lebanon, while a conference involving just the U. S., Britain and France could be expected to tip the scales in favor of the English.

In asking for a settlement of the whole near eastern situation, De Gaulle projected the question of British holdings there as protection for extensive oil concessions and the vital Suez canal, lifeline of the empire.

As the British moved in force to take over Syria and Lebanon to prevent further disorders in the two countries, which balked at French demands for military bases following their grant of independence, De Gaulle repeated charges that British agents had provoked the uprisings. Said he: "Everyone knows their names, and I would blush to give them to you."

FRANCE:

New Money

Undertaken to invalidate the huge sums taken by the Germans, root out concealed fortunes of war profiteers and collaborators, and obtain an accurate estimate of personal wealth upon which to slap a capital tax, France began the exchange of \$115,000,000 of old bank notes for new ones.

Largest and most complicated operation of its kind ever attempted in France, the exchange proceeded smoothly following months of the most careful preparation. Armed with carbines, police and troops guarded banks, post offices and tax bureaus in every town, village and hamlet during the exchanges.

Only \$1, \$2, \$20 and \$100 bank notes were being exchanged, with each holder given a maximum of \$120 in cash and the remainder kept until the completion of the whole operation. Lesser notes corresponding to American "change" were not included, leading to a frantic bid on the part of people short of them to obtain some for smaller but all important daily transactions.

RECIPROCAL TRADE:

Farm Split

Testifying before the senate finance committee on the house-approved bill extending the reciprocal trade act for three years and granting the President authority to reduce tariffs 50 per cent under existing levels, farm organization leaders split on their views of the legislation.

Declaring that tariff making constitutionally was a function of congress and duties should be based on the difference between cost of production here and abroad, Albert S. Goss, master of the National Grange, called for continuation of the present act for another year and further study of effects the proposed legislation would have on agriculture.

Backing the bill, Russell Smith, legislative secretary of the National Farmers' Union, said that without the provision for presidential authority to slash tariffs an additional 50 per cent under present levels, the measure would lose much of its effect as a contribution to international economic cooperation.

RELIEF CLOTHING

Army clothing unserviceable and beyond repair for further military use is being reconitioned to the fullest possible extent for distribution to needy civilians in liberated areas.

In no way interfering with the existing program for repair of all serviceable army clothing for reuse by military personnel, the new project is using facilities of the nine service commands which otherwise would be inactive during the interim period until redeployment of troops to the Pacific gets fully underway.

Washington Digest

Bible Enjoys Postwar Revival of Interest

World Is Reawakening to Spiritual Values; Scriptures Source of Inspiration For Millions of Disconsolate.

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

Last week I sat down to write a piece about a man who wrote a book about the Bible. I thought the book and its creator were worth more than casual comment because of the nature of both creation and creator. Both are unique. But before I had made more than a dozen inquiries in search of collateral material for my article I discovered that the production of the book was news in another sense. I found it to be more than another contribution to modern literature and scholarship. I found it to be part of a modern phenomenon—a phase of what appears to be the greatest revival of interest in the Bible which the world has ever seen.

George Stimson, who wrote "A Book About the Bible," is one of Washington's newsmen whose name is known to many readers of his dispatches and his column, especially in the Middle West and South. He is known to a smaller circle for the profundity of his knowledge on many subjects, especially the Bible. I think it more than coincidence that he completed the work to which he has given a lifetime of study and devotion this year. He may have guessed that this period in the world's history which has witnessed the greatest brutalization of humankind would naturally be followed by a strong reaction toward things of the spirit. In any case the arrival of this "Book About the Bible" could not be more timely. Lloyd Douglas, author of that gripping work, "The Robe," informed me last month that the American Bible Society has received the largest order for scriptures in its 129 years of history, and that the distribution of Bibles, New Testaments and Bible portions by this non-profit organization has reached the highest level since it was founded in 1816.

This biggest single order was for 350,000 Protestant scriptures (including military missals and prayer books) for the European theater of operations and in addition 500 German Bibles, 120,000 testaments and 95,000 "portions" for use with German war prisoners and interned civilians.

Right here in the nation's capital, Dr. Darby, District of Columbia secretary of the same society, tells me that this was the busiest year in the chapter's history.

War's Brutalities Bring Reaction

So much for the situation to date. Why is it predicted that this great revival of interest in the holy writ in this country is only the beginning of a movement of world-wide magnitude? First, there is the obvious suggestion already mentioned that it is logical to expect a reaction toward things of the spirit after these years of brutal war.

However, there is another answer which is given by many thoughtful people. They say this: The defeat of Nazi-fascism was the defeat of an idea as well as a military power. That idea based on a purely material concept was opposed and overcome by the western nations whose philosophy of government as well as of morals and ethics is based on the Christian religion.

This triumph of the Christian-democratic ideal has affected different people for different reasons but with the same general result. To many who yielded to the lure of Nazi-fascism its failure revealed its fundamental error. Their alluring idol showed its feet of clay and they are turning repentantly back to its opposite, Christianity.

To many who have been but passive followers of the Christian teachings, the terrible price the world has paid in blood has been a harsh reminder of their delinquencies. They have a renewed zeal in their faith.

To those, of course, who have suffered or are bereft, comfort comes with the contemplation of the scriptures, with their hopeful message.

And then there is another explanation of this desire to renew and reinforce their communion with the word of God. If I may venture into the realm of the metaphysical let me quote from an anonymous article in a pamphlet entitled "Let Freedom Ring" (also a product of the American Bible society).

The author states that Samuel Smith, author of our patriotic hymn

Washington Digest

Bible Enjoys Postwar Revival of Interest

World Is Reawakening to Spiritual Values; Scriptures Source of Inspiration For Millions of Disconsolate.

By BAUKHAGE

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"It is God that is the 'author of liberty,'" this article continues. "Liberty does not have its origin in man. God has implanted it in man's breast. Perhaps this is the reason that, more than all others in the oppressed lands, the churches have stood up before tyranny and rebuked it. . . . perhaps this is the reason urgent requests are coming from the liberated lands for the Book of which they have been deprived. . . . Christians all over Europe are again studying the Bible to learn afresh its lessons. . . ."

Whether for these or still other reasons of which we are unaware, we know that a tremendous renaissance of interest in the Bible is sweeping the world.

And so it is the good fortune of the Bible lover, whether he be an erudite scholar or a simple and devoted reader spelling out the texts as he goes along, that George Stimson completed his helpful, interesting, searching and authentic "Book About the Bible" in this particular year of our Lord.

"The purpose of the author in writing this book," says Stimson in his brief introduction, "is to supply reliable and adequate answers to a great number of popular questions asked about the Bible."

And that is what he does. Take the first one: when was Jesus born and the last one: does "mille" occur in the Bible? Or, how old are the oldest Bible manuscripts?

And that brings us to the inquiry, who is this man Stimson, anyhow? He is a man of about fifty, born on an Iowa farm and is still a keen lover of the soil. He worked on his college (Valparaiso, Ind.) paper and then on small town papers, came to Washington to help edit the "Pathfinder" and was on its staff for 10 years. He is the author of four successful volumes of popular information, and still syndicates a unique and colorful column called "You'd Be Surprised."

I wish I could take you into George Stimson's little office in the National Press building in Washington and see him toiling at his old-fashioned roll-top desk.

You will probably find him poking at his ancient typewriter with two fingers or running them through his healthy mane of brown hair while he cogitates. You might find as a caller the speaker of the house of representatives, some foreign diplomat, a distracted correspondent or some poor, ambitious girl or boy seeking advice on a career. In any case you would be welcomed with a smile and the chances are you would not leave without some aid and comfort, moral or material.

Intrigued by Bible Through Life

Of course I asked George how he happened to write "A Book About the Bible." "Because," he said with no hesitation, "I wanted answers to those questions myself." The first Bible Stimson ever owned he got from a mail order house when he was 15. It was his second "own" book. The first was "Pilgrim's Progress." He read them both, by a kerosene lamp, stretched out on his stomach on the kitchen table. Then he began to ask questions—questions—questions of his Sunday school teacher, of the preacher, of anyone who would listen. How did Paul look? What about Jesus' brothers? What became of the lost tribes of Israel? And many others which thousands of readers of the Bible have asked before and since. The answers weren't so satisfactory to the young inquirer and so he kept on asking. And reading, and clipping and searching and researching.

Nor did he cease to examine the source of his curiosity. He has read the Bible from cover to cover at least 10 times. He has read it countless times if you added up his browings. He has read it twice aloud to himself.

And now, he gives the world the answers to the questions he himself began asking back there in the little country church, giving them to the world simply, authoritatively and completely, at a moment when the Book which is more widely read than any other ever printed, is being read more widely than ever, by a yearning, asking world.

BARBS . . . by Baukhage

Many new faces are appearing in the White House these days but the Old Gray Squirrel on the White House lawn has made no changes in his competent staff.

"Farmers are assured equal opportunity to supply their needs out of surplus property. . . ." says OWL. Did you ever hear of a farmer who believed there was such a thing as "surplus" property?

The Japs said that Germany's surrender "had not been entirely unanticipated."

Russian soldiers in their avid admiration of American canned food ate a number of cans of delousing powder and died.

They are now transporting fresh vegetables from Guam to Iwo Jima. Also race horses and dogs to race tracks in the United States.

The One Over

AND JUST IN TIME, TOO

Throw away the towing-station phone! Kiss those upholstery squirrels and moths good-by! Forget about that wire you've been saving to hold the fenders and doorknobs in place!

The automobile is coming back!

WPB and the automobile manufacturers announce that 200,000 new cars will be made between now and January 1, with another 400,000 following in the first three months of 1946. Before many months you may actually see automobiles in this country with one-piece windshields, hubcaps on all four wheels and no mice-holes in the cushions.

Few things will lift the spirit of Americans more than the prospect of a return to the days when glistening paint jobs, eye-blinding gadgets and different shaped bodies were as routine as the first robin.

The bitterness of war hit many countries in many ways, but most Americans first awoke to its terrors when they looked into auto salesmen's windows and found nothing there but the potted palm and the dusty draperies.

It has now been three or four years since the American home has answered a phone and found somebody on the other end saying "How about coming over and giving you a ride in our demonstrator?"

And there are people in this country who can hardly remember those sweet words: "We'll allow you \$800 on the old six and leave the new eight at your door."

This country never really knew how good its automobiles were until it had to make them last through a tough war. It made the amazing discovery that the industry had turned out machines that would run without oil, gas, tires, radiators, live batteries or intact pistons.

All over America cars have been in operation in defiance of the laws of engineering, gravitation, public safety, sanitation and rubbish collection.

And the condition of the pleasure cars has been somewhat outdone by the shapes the trucks were in. There have been trucks on our roads that needed only proper tags to make them museum pieces and collectors' items.

They operated on the two-trips-for-one plan; one trip as scheduled and another trip back over the route to pick up lost parts.

But relief is at hand. The Post Hitler Boomer is just around the corner. The Japs are tough, but we can lick them with one hand on the steering gear.

RED POINTS WITH YOUR RESTAURANT MEALS

("It has been suggested that restaurant patrons give red points for meat orders."—News item.)

Customer—How about a tenderloin?

Waiter—We have a very good 40 point tenderloin with french fries, or a nice 38 point T-bone with onions.

Customer—Are you kidding about this point stuff?

Waiter—No, sir. If you want meat in restaurants you gotta have red points.

Customer—If I had any red points I would eat at home.

Waiter—How about some nice halibut?

Customer—I didn't come in here for halibut.

Waiter—My dear fellow, what you come into a restaurant for these days is of no importance. We have some very good fried clams.

Customer—We digress. Do I get a steak or not?

Waiter—Do I get coupons or not?

Customer—You are not entitled to coupons.

Waiter—Who told you that?

Customer—Huffnagel, Appel, Hoffman, Bernstein, Burnett and Cribbs—my lawyers.

Waiter—I've been advised otherwise by Bowles, Packer, Slaughter and Chief—they're my lawyers!

Customer—Oh, well, it looks like a dead heat. Can't we compromise?

Waiter—How?

Customer—I'll give you half the points required if you'd give me half the steak that's represented on the menu.

Waiter—That's easy. And I'll throw in a glass of water, too.

Among the screwy proposals by various groups at the San Francisco conference is one to require five bases in baseball. The backers of the idea are satisfied that to preserve peace in the world of tomorrow places will be required for at least two good shortstops on the diamond.

On the other hand the demand for five bases may reflect a conviction, held by Private Purkey, that in the world situation for the next few years there will be more runners on bases than there are bases.



THE STORY TRUS

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"Now you looky here!" began.



USELESS COWBOY

By ALAN Le MAY WNU SERVICE



THE STORY THUS FAR: Melody Jones and George Fury had ridden into Fayetteville, Melody mistaken for the outlaw, Monte Jarrad, Monte's girl, Cherry, with George, met Lee, Monte's partner, as he and Melody were leaving the city. They overpowered Lee and went to the shack where Monte hid the express money. Luke Packer, the insurance cop, was there and shot by someone outside. When Melody returned with the horses they found the sheriff in the cabin but the body gone. They soon found the money hid in wall with the body of Luke. At this point Melody and Cherry were able to make a break and get away. Fury had met up with Monte. He was determined to take Monte into town.

CHAPTER XV

All expression had left Monte Jarrad's face, except for a clear brightness in his eyes, as in the eyes of a lynx. "Crazy," he murmured, as if talking to himself.

He fired, then. He hardly seemed to go through the motions of a draw at all, the weapon came so smoothly from the tied-down holster at his thigh. All George Fury ever saw was a general galvanizing jerk of Monte Jarrad's whole frame, and instantly the gun blasted in Monte's hand, as if it had been there all the time.

George Fury doubled and pitched forward as if he had been struck in the middle by a swinging log. His gun, which he had somehow grabbed out of its leather, fired only a bare instant after Jarrad's weapon; but it exploded downward, blowing half the little campfire away; and the recoil almost tore it out of George Fury's slackened hand.

Monte Jarrad reclined motionless, his face impassive, but his eyes were wide, staring at the man who was down. His gun was cocked and steady. After a moment or two he noticed that George Fury's right hand half covered a living coal from the little fire, but did not draw away. When he saw this, Jarrad let the hammer down, easing it gently.

Morning was leaking out of the far-off Dragonette ranges as Melody Jones drew near the ramshackle ranch house of the Busted Nose. First a dull green illumination appeared in the eastern sky, without in any way lighting the soot-black trails; and as this appeared the red-tops began to go "pop" in the brush. After a time this first effort withdrew, so that the night seemed blacker than before; but a muddy grayness was beginning to pervade the ranges, as if seeping up out of the ground. By the time this had increased to full dawn, Melody was sitting his pony behind a stand of locust, watching the ranch house from a respectful distance of more than four hundred yards.

So far as he could find out he was alone in the world entirely. Even the bear cub had been turned loose, or had worked its way free, from its chain beside the broken screen door. As Melody prospected closer, a late-ranging armadillo trundled around the corner of the house, and disappeared without hurry. Melody was satisfied with that. The animal would have known, better than he could, if anyone were around. He rode to the back stoop of the house without further caution.

After that he walked a little way out from the house, to get away from the sound of the pony's munching, and listened a while longer, very lonely in the dawn; and then made a fire in the stove, with more than necessary thuds and bangs, to be rid of the insufferable cold. A hot smell of coffee, smelling ten times better than it would ever taste, began floating downwind from the Busted Nose. Melody rummaged for something to eat which would take no work to fix.

His back was to the door, and his hands were pawing over a shelf of canned goods, when the kitchen darkened faintly.

His hands faltered, but only for an instant. He went on with what he was doing without looking around, stilling over the labels. Somebody was standing in the doorway. He knew that much, though he had heard no approach. Melody's right hand weighed a can of tomatoes, testing it as a weapon. But he set it down.

Melody turned slowly, empty handed; and, for the first time in his life, faced Monte Jarrad.

"Hi," Melody said. The man in the doorway grunted.

Even if the light had been better, instead of directly behind Jarrad, Melody might not have recognized him yet.

"Looking for somebody?" Melody asked this stranger.

Monte Jarrad took in the whole lay-out coolly, the room first, then Melody Jones. Melody saw him notice where the carbine was.

"Just passing by," Jarrad said, watching Jones oddly. His voice had a soft lack of tone to it, very unsettling.

"Want to play like you don't know me, huh?" Jarrad commented, his eyes still wandering.

"I never seen you before in my born days," Jarrad's gaze stopped wandering.

"Nor heard of me, neither, I suppose," "I can't keep knowledge of every grub-testing punk that—" He stopped short.

"What's the matter?" Jarrad asked sardonically.

Melody looked puzzled. "It come to me for a minute that you might be Monte Jarrad. But you ain't."

"No?" "No. This Jarrad weasel looks somethin' like I do—it fools people even."

"What?" "When I think of being mistaken for the kind of chuckle-head that you look like to me—it's enough to turn a feller sick."

Melody looked at him with pity. "Don't let it worry you," he said. "Nobody ever mistook me for no such limping wreck as you be. It's small wonder you got struck by lightning, or something, the manners you got. And here's another thing—"

"Well, I'll be damned," said Jarrad.

"And here's another thing. Keep on like you're haiding, and you'll think lightning hit you again!"

The two looked at each other strangely across the kitchen table.

"A feller never knows," Monte Jarrad said obscurely, as if to himself.



George Fury doubled and pitched forward.

self. "Don't make much difference, in the long run, I reckon . . . Stand closer to the wall. I don't figure I got much better than an hour here."

"So you're him," Melody said, as if he couldn't believe it. He stood staring idiotically, as people look at some great mysterious phenomenon they have heard about all their lives.

"It's a hell of a disappointment," he said at last.

"Take off your boots," Jarrad ordered.

Slowly Melody unbuckled his spur straps. "It beats me," he said, "what she sees in you, Jarrad."

"I'll take your belt; and your hat; and whatever trash is in them pockets. I suppose that bone pile out there with my saddle on it—you call that your horse . . ."

"And that carbine you slung out in the dirt was your carbine!"

"You can have it now. We'll get your own saddle on that old hide. You can have mine."

"This won't do you no good," Melody told him. "Even if we swap every stich we own, there still won't be any scar on my bean."

"No," Monte admitted. "No; there never will be. But I suppose there can still be the place where one was . . ."

When the meaning of this soaked in on Melody he studied Monte Jarrad for a long time. "You got claim my ideas," he said at last, without much assurance. "I'd rather be daid than in your place."

"You can have both," Jarrad said. Jones obeyed as Monte Jarrad swapped boots, hat and equipment with him, and finally switched his own old worn hat to Harry Henshaw. After that was done Melody was kept standing against the wall of the kitchen while Jarrad, one-handed, drank his coffee.

There was still something Monte wanted to know; but he didn't know how to get at it.

Some very peculiar things were running in Melody's mind just then. He knew he was going to make some kind of a play; and he knew it wasn't going to be any good. He entirely believed what Monte had said for—that he might knock Monte out, but not fast enough so that Monte's gun wouldn't get him.

"Where did she say you was from?" Monte asked him.

"Montana. A place called Two Lance. But that ain't what you want to know."

Monte came out with it then. "What was going on," he asked, "the night you was in Cherry's room?"

"Which night you mean?" "Oh, you mean that one? Nothing. Nothing then."

Jarrad's eyes looked as if they could eat through a horse blanket. "Just what the hell do you mean by 'then'?"

"Maybe you got me over a bar'l. But you ain't going to forget me, what short time you live. Because that girl ain't yours no more, and never will be again."

Monte Jarrad stood and stared at him, glassy-eyed.

"It don't matter how daid I be, or nothing," Melody said, pouring it into him slowly. "Daid or alive, I'm your finish. You ain't never going to get nothing you want again. I can stand in your light ten times better when I'm daid than I ever done yet. And when you finally puke blood and die, you'll know it was me that done it, some way."

Monte Jarrad stared at him dumbfounded. Nobody had ever talked to him like that in his life before.

"You'll be an earmarked ghost," Monte said, looking at Melody's ear. "I already got my notch on you, I see. But his mind was not on it."

"Reckon it won't show with a coffin on," Melody answered. "Different with the mark I got on you. Because I taken her away from you, you hear? Whether she knows it or not."

Two riders were coming in, walking their horses. The stride of the ponies, conveyed to the listeners by the hoof-rhythm, was unhurried; yet they moved in boldly, with no pauses to spy out the situation into which they headed.

Melody shifted to crane his neck. "Stand where you are!" Monte snarled at him. Monte backed across the angle of the room until he could flick a glance through the door in the direction of the corral without giving Melody a chance to make a break.

"You don't see 'em," Melody drawled, without sighting anything himself. "Because they gone in the barn. I can tell that by ear. And I can tell you something else. You don't need to look so scared. Because one of them is Cherry's horse—I can tell because I know he thrun a shoe."

He didn't bother to answer Melody.

"So now you can ask her for yourself," Melody said. "She'll walk in here in a minute. Ask her if what I told you is so. Ask her what that gun will get you from here on in. If you had sense you'd turn it on yourself, and duck a peck o' misery."

"Shut up!" Monte's eyes, carefully watching Melody, kept flicking toward the barn; and presently Melody knew by Monte's face that he had been right, and that Cherry had come into Monte's view.

Very slowly Monte Jarrad put his gun away; but as it settled into its holster he tested it to be sure that it rested there lightly. He could draw it again much faster than another man could spit.

They were standing there like that, silent and watchful in suspended motion, as Cherry de Longpre came across the gallery to the door, and stopped there.

Cherry's face had no color, bloodless because she was tired. Her hair was tumbled and her clothes hard worked; but her head was up.

"Hello, Cherry," Monte Jarrad said.

"I can't remember," she said, "why I ever thought you looked like each other."

"Me too," Melody said, more conversationally. "If I had realized what kind of fizick-looking figger I was mistook for, I sure would of high-tailed out of here to begin on."

"Be still," Cherry said, disdaining to raise her voice to him. "You'd better go out to the barn. George Fury is out there. He's hurt."

Melody stared at her while she soaked in. "Bad?" he asked finally. "He's dying, I think."

Melody shifted his eyes to Monte Jarrad, and held them there while he moved sidelong to the door. She made room for him to pass. Once outside Melody took a chance on turning his back, and moved toward the barn at a run.

Cherry looked after him for a moment, without any change of expression.

"Cherry," Monte Jarrad said, "are you crazy?" "No," Cherry said.

"Sometimes—a couple of times lately—it's sure seemed like there was something pretty funny in the slant you take about him."

"Is there?" "He's useless," Monte said, low voiced, without heat. "He's got less natural sense than a fresh-dropped calf—and ain't worth half as much. You could study him a lifetime, and never find something he was good for."

"Yes," Cherry said. "Monte, why did you shoot George Fury?" (TO BE CONTINUED)

The Longest Stick

By ELSIE WILLIAMS

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HARDY POLK had just finished his supper and was tamping tobacco into the bowl of his pipe when he heard old Cool's deep bay, followed by the yipping and yapping of all the other dogs. He raised his head with an intent, listening look.

"Hear a horse comin' down the road a piece," he announced to his young daughter, "Melia."

She stood a moment at the table with the supper dishes in her hands, and said: "Sounds like Jud Tice's mare."

"Reckon 'tis." The moon was just rising in the east as the rider dismounted at the gate. It was Jud Tice's broad-brimmed hat, heavy-set body and jangling spurs. "Light an' come in," Hardy called.

"Hello there, Hardy," the newcomer said in a deep, hearty voice. Hearty—with a tinge of falsetto around its edges.

Hardy motioned toward the lighted kitchen door. "Go in, Jud. Cool out here."

"Good evenin'," Melia, Jud's bold eyes looked at the back of her head with its neat brown braids, ran on down the blue shirt and the tight cowboy pants that emphasized rather than concealed her shapely curves.

Without seeming to do so, Hardy Polk's cold, Saxon-blue eyes watched Jud narrowly. "Won't you sit?" he asked.

"Don't mind if I do," Jud glanced at the partly cleared table as he sat down. "Ain't that sweet-potato pie, Hardy? Looks mighty good."

"Ifen you make it worth while—" "Spect 'Melia's growed into a pretty good cook by now."

"Fair to middlin' . . . cut Jud a piece, 'Melia."

Jud licked his fingers when he had finished. "Sure good. Wouldn't want to hire out as a cook, would you now, 'Melia?"

Hardy looked at his daughter carefully and yet abstractedly. "Reckon so," he said. There was a slight pause. "How's yore wife, Jud?"

Jud sighed heavily. "Still ailin' Hardy. Doc says she can't last too long." His eyes covertly rested on 'Melia going out the door with a plate of scraps for the dogs. "What I come to see you 'bout, Hardy—your s'pose 'Melia could cook an' tend to Hattie? Needn' someone now that Hattie's sister's got to go home."

"Waal—reckon she could, Jud. What's you aimin' to make it worth?"

"She'd git her keep o' course. An'—what do you figger to be 'bout right, Hardy?"

"I ain't sayin'. An' I dunno as she could go. I ain't got me no flock o' cow hands in the woods like you got, Jud. I just got 'Melia."

"Melia came back into the room. Jud looked at the shapely curves the round young face and the soft brown eyes. His wife was old and scrawny. Soon's she died he'd—

"Talkin' to yore pa here 'bout gittin' you to cook an' tend Hattie. Could earn you a red silk dress then, an' some—some o' them fancy shoes." Jud looked at 'Melia's sloped-heeled cowboy boots.

"Why—" 'Melia hesitated, glancing downward. "An' a gold locket?" she asked.

Before 'Melia could say anything, Hardy put in quickly. "We'll think it over, Jud. What you aimin' to make it worth?"

Jud thought a bit and then natued an amount he figured would win 'Melia over.

Jud rode up to the Polk shanty around dark, Saturday. Hardy was on the porch, his chair tipped back against the wall, pipe in his mouth. 'Melia was nowhere in sight and no sound came from the kitchen.

"Figgered to come by an' see could 'Melia come Monday mornin'," Jud said from the rickety swing near Hardy.

"She ain't goin', Jud. We done talked it over." There was a slight gleam of triumph in Hardy's cold eyes. "Figger she can make more with me. I done give her a third interest in the cattle so's she can git her a little money. Rather have money than doodads, 'Melia would."

Funny, thought Jud, never thought before that 'Melia's soft brown eyes often had the same look that Hardy's cold blue ones did—a calculatin', greedy look.

"You know the ol' sayin', Jud," Hardy said, a touch of humor in his dry voice. "Longest stick gits the persimmon!"

MERE BABIES

Some boys in Kansas City were showing a Texas rancher the town. "What do you think of our stock-yards?" asked one.

"Oh, they're all right, but we have branding corrals in Texas that are bigger," he said.

That night they put some snapping turtles in his bed. When he turned back the covers he asked what they were.

"Missouri bedbugs," they replied. He peered at them a moment. "So they are," he agreed. "Young 'uns, aren't they?"

SMART IDEA



Joe—Why did you encourage your wife to take up the clarinet and quit the piano?

Bill—Because she can't sing when she's playing the clarinet.

Non-Stop

Mrs. Glotz—And you know, I suffer terribly from insomnia. And I've tried all sorts of remedies but nothing works. And—

Mr. Flotz—Why don't you try talking to yourself!

Sing Song

Nit (hearing knock on door)—Who's there?

Wit (disguising voice)—A little old lady.

Nit—A little old lady who?

Wit—What are you yodeling about?

Fun in the Army

Private—Why isn't there any Scotch tape anymore?

Sarge—I don't know. Why? Private—They just have red tape now!

Barbarous Talk

Harry—There's one thing I don't like about a barber.

Jerry—What's that?

Harry—if you don't get a close shave, you'll get trimmed.

Two Ton Teresa

Jane—Mabel loves to dance. Dancing is in her blood.

John—She must have poor circulation, then. It hasn't got down to her feet yet.

Super-Exact

Slim—Did the teacher mark your math exam closely?

Jim—I'll say. He took off five per cent just because I had a decimal point upside down.

Stay Away

Mac—Why didn't you introduce me to that girl I saw you with the other day?

Jack—Not me! I'm hoarding my sugar!

DYED MINK?

Teacher—The only word in the English language in which the letter "s" has the sound of "sh" is "sugar."

Is that right? Smarty—Sure!

Younger Generation

Mac—I went to a party last night and met the cutest boy and got engaged to him.

Kay—What's his name?

Mac—Oh, you can't ask a personal question like that right off.

Look Out!

Jimmy—Aw, you're afraid to fight. Johnny—Now, but if I fight, my maw'll find out and spank me.

Jimmy—How'll she find out? Johnny—She'll see the doc goin' to your place.

Yes and No

Dumb—My husband is the only man who ever kissed me.

Lora—Are you bragging or complaining?

Vaccumatio

Nit—All you say to me goes in one ear and out the other!

Wit—What's to prevent it?

Lazy Bones

Joe—How do you like your new job?

Bill—I like nothing better.

So What!

Bill—Last summer I was a life saver.

Joe—Good, what flavor?

No Romance

Jane—Where were you on your vacation?

Joan (listlessly)—No man's land!

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Correspondent—Mrs. W. W. Worcester

James Croteau and family of Bethel were recent Sunday guests at the home of Tony Croteau.

Sgt. Willard A. Wright called on Mrs. Nora Wright Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hardy, formerly of Rumford, now living in Michigan were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Croteau.

Ira Brown has been hauling some of his lumber from the camps he purchased of the Stowell company. Owing to the deep mud he has to wait for drier weather.

Mrs. Mabel Worcester went to attend the graduation of her grandson, Eric Milton E. Mills, who was home on furlough from the U. S. Air Force. He is in the Army Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Mills and son Milton of Norway and Mrs. Mabel Worcester were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Russell went to East Bethel Sunday.

Frank Morrison is putting out some attractive signs, advertising his summer camp.

Mrs. Alice Staples suffered an ill turn in her home here Monday. Mrs. Nora Wright is caring for her.

Mrs. Helen Stearns is librarian for June.

The Pythian Sisters held their regular monthly meeting last Friday, at which a dinner was served. The anniversary program was carried out, which was postponed because of the snow storm of May 10.

Willa Penney went with G. C. Barker to South Paris Saturday to deliver a load of furniture.

The annual meeting of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library Association will be held at the library building June 20 at 7 p. m.

SONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. Ralston Bennett and two children of North Fryeburg were at her parents', Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball's, Sunday.

Callers at the Kimball's Sunday were Mrs. Mae Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Grindle and Evelyn. Mrs. Lena Kimball of Norway spent the week end at the Kimball farm.

Clarence McAllister helped Leon Millett on his garden at his parents', Mrs. Fuller's, Saturday. He is planting cucumbers for the factory.

The annual school picnic was held at the Songo beach Friday. Mrs. Daisy Kimball, who was her tea room for the occasion, had the thunder shower sent them all home early.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimball went to Springfield Monday to bring Mrs. Ivy Kimball home from Nason College.

Leon Millett plowed for Hollis Grindle Monday with his tractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Grindle and Gloria Jean were at Mrs. Grindle's brother's, Charles Bryant's, Bethel Thursday evening.

Miss Eleanor Kimball attended graduation at Bethel Monday.

Miss Carlene Stone, South Paris, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball of Gorham, Maine, were week end guests at Leslie Kimball's.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five from day to day from the third Tuesday of said May. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered: That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1945, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Amie C. Cole, late of Gilead, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Paul H. H. H. as successor trustee, with bond for the benefit of The Peabody Cemetery situated in Gilead, Maine, presented by Roger W. Wheeler, administrator of the estate of the said deceased.

Louis Georgopoulos of Bethel; Petition that the name of Louis Georgopoulos be changed to Louis Joseph Paul, presented by the said Louis Georgopoulos.

Barbara R. Hastings, et al., of Bethel, minors; First account presented for allowance by Ruth C. Hastings, guardian.

Everett S. Mitchell, of Bethel, adult ward, Petition for license to sell real estate situated in Bethel, presented by Jennie E. Mitchell, guardian of said ward.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

BARLER, CLIFFORD, Register, 24

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed Adm'r. of the estate of Eva T. Chapman, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and is giving notice to the law direct. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

JESSE B. CHAPMAN
Bethel, Maine.
April 17th, 1945. 24

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed guardian of the estate of J. Mitchell of Bethel in the County of Oxford, and is giving notice to the law direct. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

JENNIE E. MITCHELL
Bethel, Maine.
April 17th, 1945. 24

WEST BETHEL

Correspondent—Miss Bernadine Putnam

Miss Bernadine Putnam has been visiting Mrs. Maxine Lovejoy, Mrs. Burton Newton and children are visiting her parents at South Paris. Mr. Newton is on a fishing trip at Moosehead Lake.

Rev. A. J. Verill of West Paris was in town to attend the funeral of Archie J. Hutchinson Tuesday.

School Notes

Honor Roll for the last six weeks at the West Bethel Primary was: Mary Kneeland, Lionel Coulombe, Jane Smith, Arthur Heath, Floyd Kimball, Seven Point Pupils in Health were Arthur and David Head, Marie and Arthur Mills, June Merrill and Lionel Coulombe. War Savings for the year amounted to \$274.55.

The children enjoyed a picnic at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Schmidt on June 8th.

Cpl. Richard Bean left Wednesday for Nebraska, where he will report for duty.

Those from out of town attending the funeral of Archie J. Hutchinson Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shaw of South Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hutchinson and son of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Loton Hutchinson and son and Mrs. Doris Lord of Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Haskell of Auburn.

BRYANT POND

Correspondent—Mrs. Inez Whitman

ROBERT B. REEMTS

Robert B. Reemts, 64, died at his home here Tuesday morning, June 5. He was born Oct. 19, 1880, the son of George and Elizabeth D. Crockett Reemts. He conducted a grain business here for many years. He was a member of Jefferson Lodge, F. & A. M. Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Lovejoy Reemts, three stepsons, Bradley Stevens, Bruns, and Joseph Stevens, all of Massachusetts; one brother, Albert E., of Bryant Pond, a half brother, George C. Abbott of Bryant Pond, and a half sister, Mrs. Lawrence Marston, of Waterville.

The funeral was held at the Baptist Church, Bryant Pond, Friday at 11 a. m. Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes of West Paris officiated. The bearers were Benjamin Billings, Albert Bowker, Percy Maynard, and Lester Hathaway.

Among those from out of town attending the funeral were Brad Stevens, former Amy Stevens and husband, Waterville, Charles Lovvay, Harold Gammon, West Paris, Mrs. Lawrence Marston, Waterville, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bean, Rumford, and Mrs. Emma Stevens, Bridgton. Burial was in the family lot, Albert Mills Cemetery at Milton, Maine.

The Woodstock grade schools closed Tuesday, June 5th for the summer vacation. Those having perfect attendance for the last term were: grade seven, Morle Noyes, Joan Coffin, Bessie Dunham, Sylvia Stowell, Arthur Ring; grade eight, Barbara Berryment, June Bryant, Albert Coffin, Robert Coffin, Norma Cox, Alberta Dunham, Edwin Howe, Rodney Jordan and Elaine Vittum. Perfect attendance for the past year: seventh grade, Morle Noyes; eighth grade, Barbara Berryment, June Bryant, Albert Coffin and Rodney Jordan. Morle Noyes has had perfect attendance for six years. Barbara Berryment has had perfect attendance for two years. She and Bessie Dunham have both received 100% in spelling for the entire year.

Dean and James of Locke Mills were week end guests of Mrs. Robert Farrington and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews left Monday to spend some time at their camp at Haysville. Mrs. Verena Swan and Mrs. Alice Wardwell accompanied them there leaving Sunday for Bangor where they attended the Annual Convention of the D. of U. V.

Mrs. Donald Bennett, Dean and James, Mrs. Robert Farrington, Robert and Allen were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott, the occasion being Mrs. Farrington's birthday.

WEST PARIS

Correspondent—Mrs. Geneva Tuell

At the dedication service at the Universalist church Sunday morning the pastor Rev. E. B. Forbes, childrened Jennie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester McGowan of South Paris, James Allen, son of Pte Herbert McKenzie and Mrs. McKenzie, Bonnie Lee, daughter of Pte William Corbett and Mrs. Corbett, Nancy Eleanor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Perham.

Mrs. Martha Noyes and Mrs. Hattie Martin are surgical patients at the C. M. G. Hospital.

Mrs. George Jackson is very ill. Loren Trask was brought by ambulance from the C. M. G. Hospital Friday. He remains very ill.

Earle Hollis S. L. arrived Tuesday to spend a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hollis.

Miss Dorothy Andrews has gone to Cumberland to visit her mother, Mrs. Lucille Andrews.

Mrs. Joseph Penney entertained a group of little people Friday afternoon in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Elaine. Those attending were Suzanne and Elida Andrews, Edwin Shirley, Ann Ellingwood, Lee Dean, Jimmie Curtis, Philip Waterhouse and Beverly Corbett.

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LOCKE MILLS

Correspondent—Adelaide W. Lister

The last contest for the year for the purchase of Defense Stamps at the village school closed last week with the Air Corps winning from the Infantry, with a score of \$22.35 to \$30.95. Those purchasing the most stamps by grades were as follows: Grammar, Clarence Howe, and Elouise Dunham, Intermediate, Marlene Marshall and Arnold Jordan; Primary, Shirley Crockett and Nancy Corkum. For the entire school the winners were Paul Bartlett, \$25.25, John and Arlene Chase with \$14.50 each. For the entire year the Grammar grade has purchased \$178.60; the Intermediate, \$271.05; the Primary, \$217.95; making a grand total of \$737.60. The teachers, pupils and parents who made this purchase possible, are certainly to be commended for the fine work. Bonds were purchased by Arlene and John Chase and Paul Bartlett.

Graduation of the Greenwood Grammar School pupils took place at the Town Hall, Friday, June 8, and the hall was well filled. The class chose for its motto "Look Ahead, Do Not Turn Back." Their colors were red, white and blue. The following program was carried out:

Entrance March
Linwood Newell, marshal
Invocation
Rev. Penner
Greeting
Lilka Mustonen
Patriotic Exercise and Playlets
"The Jesterettes Take Over," by pupils from the Tubbs school
Pageant, "The United Nations in Review," by pupils from the village school
Honor Essay
Reynold Jordan
Class Prophecy
Mari Morey
Class Will
Robert Coolidge
Class Gifts
Enienu Kuvaja
Farewell
Uno Hertell
Presentation of Diplomas
Supt. Carrie Wright
Benediction
Rev. Penner

The following list comprises the graduating class: Robert Coolidge, Uno Hertell, Reynold Jordan, Enienu Kuvaja, Mari Morey, Lilka Mustonen.

The manner in which this program was carried out, showed that the teachers and students had cooperated in the fullest sense of the word, and we congratulate each and every one.

It is with pleasure that we announce the return of Mrs. Olive Lurvey as Principal of the Village School for another year. Also that of the other two teachers, Mrs. Ruth Ring of the Intermediate, and Mrs. Seymour McAllister of the Primary. We are indeed fortunate to have these splendid teachers in our village school for another year.

Pvt David Roberts, who has been at the home of his father, E. T. Roberts for a thirty day furlough, reported to Atlantic City this week for further assignment. Pvt Roberts has been stationed in the Philippines for over a year, doing Military Police Duty.

Mrs. Mary Fuller and her two children were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Davis for a few days last week.

Miss Pauline Baker has accepted a position at the State School for Girls at Fowling for the summer.

Miss Joyce Cummings will be at a camp in Lovell for the summer.

Miss Phyllis Toblerts is to be at Winthrop, Massachusetts for the summer.

Miss Nellie Lapham will be at Lovell for the summer.

George B. Lister, who returned from the Rumford Community Hospital last week, is able to be up in a wheelchair a few hours each day.

Mrs. George A. Ramsdell and youngest daughter Elaine of Drexel Hill, Pa., will return to their home Saturday. Mrs. Ramsdell was called here by the illness of her father, George Lister.

The Misses Joan and Betty Davis will be at their home for the summer.

Miss Ruth C. Rich who has been at Atlanta, Ga., for the past six weeks, returned to her home Monday.

Miss Bertha Kimball has returned from a visit with friends in Massachusetts.

Miss Mary Sharpe Van Buren of Stoneham, Mass., was a recent guest at the Lister home.

Walter B. Newell, S. L. C. has returned to his home at Gilead, Mass., after a 10 day leave with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Melville and family moved into the house recently vacated by the J. P. Robinson's.

Mrs. Ida Spinney has purchased a home in Phillips and moved there. Her daughter and husband will occupy her home here.

NORTH NEWRY

Mrs. Francis H. Vail was at home from Rumford last week end and Monday to attend graduation at Gould.

Elsie C. Enman, wife of Everett Enman, who died in Lewiston June 8 was brought to Newry for burial Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Little of Errol, N. H., were callers at Hartley Hanson's Sunday.

Henry Lane has purchased a Hudson car for the mail route after July 1st.

Mrs. Ramona Fillault of North Windham, also Francis Vail Jr. from Bangor were at home for graduation at Bethel.

S. T. Tripp is making repairs on Hartley Hanson's house this week.

Leon Enman moved his family back to Grafton Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferren called on Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight Sunday afternoon.

Miss Pauline Enman spent last week with Miss Barbara Leavied.

Bear River Grange will hold a regular meeting Saturday evening, June 16. Friday night, the 15th, the members are invited to visit Alder River Grange.

Leon Enman and family attended the funeral of Elsie C. Enman in Lewiston Sunday.

Weekend guests at Elwin Brown's were Mr. and Mrs. William Day, daughter Faye, and Mrs. Bertha Day. Mrs. Bertha Day stayed for a few days visit with her daughter.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bacon of West Paris spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt.

Mrs. Linnie Cole attended the graduation at Gould Academy on Monday and visited with her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Hastings over the week end.

Mrs. Ruth Sears of Auburn attended the graduation at Locke Mills, Friday evening, then spent the week end here with her sister, Mrs. Fred Curtis.

Alta and Norman Millett had perfect attendance for the school year.

Pupils receiving their seven point pins for health work this year were Mary, Patricia, and Joan Tamminen, Alta and Norman Millett and Alfred Hakala.

Many from here attended the graduation at Locke Mills, Friday evening.

Ruth Morgan spent last week with her cousin at Oxford.

SOUTH BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Tibbets and two grandchildren spent the week end in Fairfield, Maine visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Green.

Leah Spinney and Helen Bumps were in Berlin, Saturday.

James Spinney was in Berlin, N. H., Sunday to see his mother, who is still in the hospital.

Miss Annie Cross is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Brooks.

Mrs. Edith Holt has finished work at Locke Mills and gone to Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robertson were in Portland Sunday.

GILEAD

The village school closed Friday for the summer vacation.

Miss Joyce Bedard of Berlin, N. H. spent the week end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roberts and daughter of Norway arrived this week to spend a few days at their home here.

Mrs. Lena Parker has completed her duties at the home of G. E. Leighton and gone to North Turnover to visit relatives.

Mrs. Josephine Cole returned to her home in Gray Monday after spending a few days with her father, G. E. Leighton.

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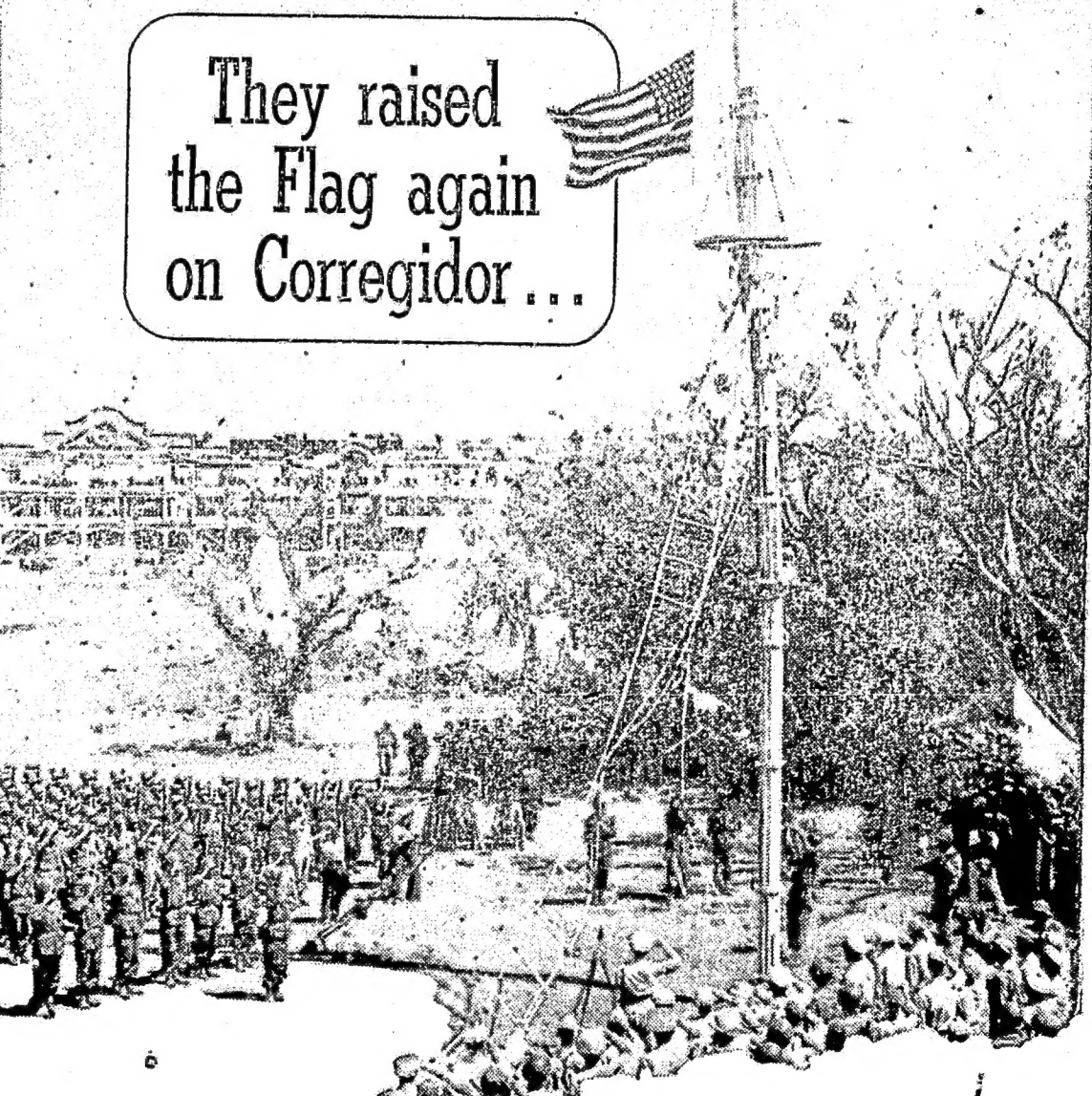
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	Excellent Brand Extra Standard	PEAS	can 15c
	IGA Fancy	SPINACH	No. 2 1/2 can 21c
	IGA Fancy	SLICED BEETS	2 cans 27c
	Superba—Pure Cider	VINEGAR	qt. bot. 18c pt. 11c
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Kathleen Norris Says: The War Wife and Her Lover

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"About a year ago, she had a friendship with a painter we might call Morgan."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

CAROL BROWN is 31, beautiful, affectionate, mother of two small boys. When Fred Brown went away to war two years ago she suffered all the pangs of loneliness, fear, grief that any woman could know. She wrote him loyally, and after two years she writes him still.

Carol is not a sociable woman. She studied painting for many years, works hard at her art still, fills her time with her books, garden, studio hours and children.

About a year ago she had a friendship with a painter we might call Morgan. Morgan had a charming artistic place about 30 miles away from Carol's town, and presently Carol and the children began to spend week-ends there. Other artists, writers, newspaper folk did also, and for some months, she writes me, everything was open and aboveboard. Then she and Morgan became lovers.

But Morgan evidently, however much a lover, is canny, too. When Fred Brown wrote that he was coming home, minus a leg, Morgan got married. He married a young and dashing newspaper woman and at 41 has apparently settled down.

"Fred was so far away, and everything that belonged to our old happy life was so completely changed, that I think I lost my bearings," says her letter. "The crowd that went to Morgan's is naturally a rather free-thinking crowd, and they accepted our relationship without any question."

Husband Is Devoted.
"My problem is this. I love my husband, and to think of his coming home crippled breaks my heart, for Fred was a great walker and loved nothing so much as country outings with me and the children. My one wish is to compensate him for all that he has been through. He is a most affectionate man, passionately devoted to me and to the boys."

"Shall I tell him honestly all that has occurred? If I do, it must be immediately, for putting it off will infinitely complicate matters. He may resent it deeply; he may wish to avenge it by a divorce and the separation of me and my sons. His older sister is devoted to the boys, she has but one child, a half-grown girl; she would be delighted to add boys of 5 and 7 to her family, and have Fred all to her self."

"If I do not tell him, sooner or later someone may. I will have to live with that sword of Damocles hanging over my head from day to day. It does not seem just to me that for a few months of indiscretion, which never meant to me what any week of the long happy years with Fred has meant, should cost me so dear. I may say that my mother and my sister-in-law have no suspicion of the state of affairs; they do not like Morgan's crowd, that crowd is many miles away, and they have always rather studiously ignored my friendship with it. Fred does not know these people well, either. Please advise me of the simplest course that will mean happiness and security for us all."

This last phrase almost makes me smile, although the situation is anything but funny. It is tragic to think of the devoted husband and father coming home to this news, and in his first agony of realization he may well threaten to take legal action. But I don't believe he will. I think that after a little while he will ap-



Regretfully tell him the truth...

PAINFUL DILEMMA

The unfaithful wife of the absent serviceman has become a familiar theme. In this article, however, a rather unusual situation is considered. Carol Brown loves her husband and her children, and wants nothing more than quiet and virtuous family life. When the war took Fred away, however, Carol was so lonely and miserable that she tried to get what solace she could from friends. Before she was really aware of it, she was seeing a man named Morgan, an artist like herself, more and more often. These visits developed into an "affair" lasting for months.

All during this period, however, she continued writing affectionate and, in a sense, sincere letters to her husband. He never suspected that anything was amiss. Now he is coming home, crippled. Carol is anxious to have him back, and to try to resume life as it used to be. This ugly episode with Morgan, however, clouds the future. While Morgan has ended their meetings, and can be depended upon to keep silent, many other people know about them, and a disclosure some day is always possible, perhaps likely. Carol doesn't know what to do—whether to confess, and trust to Fred's understanding and generosity, or whether to try to conceal everything, and live in constant fear.

precate the boys' position, he will see that they have rights, that it is all-important to keep the surface smooth and the family intact.

No Safety In Secrecy.
Ordinarily I would advise secrecy. I would advise Carol to put this whole affair from her life and her thoughts, as if it had never happened. But since her intimacy with Morgan was pretty well known to quite a large group of persons, there is no safety in concealment now. A blackmailer might appear at any moment, after Fred had been happily restored to his family, and wreck the whole scene.

Far wiser to simply and regretfully tell him the truth. Tell him that it was the result of association with persons who had themselves no particular respect for conventions, that it is all over, and Morgan married. Ask him to think of the boys, of Carol's own love for him, before he takes any action. He'll decide upon forgiveness.

For a long while things won't be the same, of course. But after while happiness will come back. Loving consideration for him, wisdom in handling the boys, clever management of your affairs will all help, and human hearts being as mutable as they are, time will work its usual miracle.

But it would be wonderful if lonely service wives could see some statistics upon the outcome of illicit love affairs, hasty divorces, disruption of homes and scattering children. Perhaps one reason why all the books on morality preach fidelity and self-control is because they are the only secret of successful and happy marriage.

RIGHT WAY TO COOK EGGS

Unless eggs are properly cooked, they lose some of their food value and flavor. So-called "boiled eggs" are best cooked below boiling. Use one pint of almost boiling water for each egg, put the eggs in the water, cover, and set the pan in a warm place where the temperature will fall slowly. Keep the eggs in this water for from five to six minutes for soft-cooked eggs. Allow about 45 minutes for hard-cooked ones, then drop them in cold water. For over cooking, use between 250 and 300 F.

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

WHAT a heritage for Rita Hayworth's baby! Everybody knows, of course, that little Rebecca's mother is one of the most successful and most popular of all our feminine stars, and that her father, Orson Welles is a remarkable young man (too remarkable sometimes!) in many fields—writing, acting, producing. But Rebecca's heritage is a matter of generations famous in the theater.

That baby's great-grandfather on the distaff side is the great Antonio Cansino, one of the famous dancers of all time. The story of his life and of the 16 children he begot, and of his grandchildren, is one of the fascinating sagas of the theater.

Nearly 70 years ago a 12-year-old boy was left an orphan in a little Spanish village. His father had been a well-to-do land owner; but there were crooked lawyers in Spain even then, as everywhere else, and the boy found himself done out of his inheritance and left penniless to face the world. That boy was Antonio Cansino.

Out on His Own

Antonio set out for Seville, and there he found himself a job as helper to a blacksmith. Little Antonio liked to dance, and to play the guitar. When night came Antonio struck out for the water front cafes, and there he danced again—for pennies.

At that time the famous Imperia and her rival, La Campanara, were having their heyday, and there was a popular male dancer, Fernando Feliz. Young Antonio sneaked into the wings to watch their performances and in time made their acquaintance. He had an ingratiating manner, and before long he was having lessons from all three of them.

Starting Up the Ladder

So at 15 Antonio said goodbye to his forge. A theater manager had seen him dance and had recognized a rising star. Within a year Antonio was famous throughout Spain. He had a house of his own, servants and a carriage. At 17 he married. At 18 he was a father.

A London producer happened to be visiting Spain and watched Antonio Cansino at a performance in Madrid. He offered a contract for a month's engagement in London at a figure that couldn't be turned down. The month was extended to a year, and by that time Antonio was reaping a fortune. Paris followed and then tours of Europe and South America.

As the Cansino fortune grew, the family was growing, too. At the age of 35 Antonio had no less than 10 children. He was rich and his wife and children wanted him at home. To the chagrin of theatrical managers, he announced his retirement from the stage.

Never Too Young

All of the Cansino children were taught to dance by their father almost as soon as they could walk. Young dancers begged Cansino for instruction, so he opened a school in Madrid. When Diaghilev took the Ballet Russe to the Spanish capital several of the stars took lessons from Cansino, among them Leonide Massine.

The Cansino children all enjoyed great success. They toured Europe, Africa, North and South America, Australia. Eduardo, Rita Hayworth's father, took Latin America by storm. Antonio II was a sensation in Europe and Australia. Jose, Angel, Paco, Elissa, and the others all had their share of triumphs.

California, Here We Come

When Rita was 16 she came to California with her parents, the Eduardo Cansinos. The movie bug got her, but good. She danced and played bit parts in dozens of pictures, and then came her big chance in "Blood and Sand," opposite Tyrone Power. You know the rest of that story. Her father and mother have been retired from the stage for some years, and Rita's father is now working at Douglas because he has two sons at the front.

And now the first Antonio, the patriarch of them all, is here. He lost house and fortune during the Spanish revolution.

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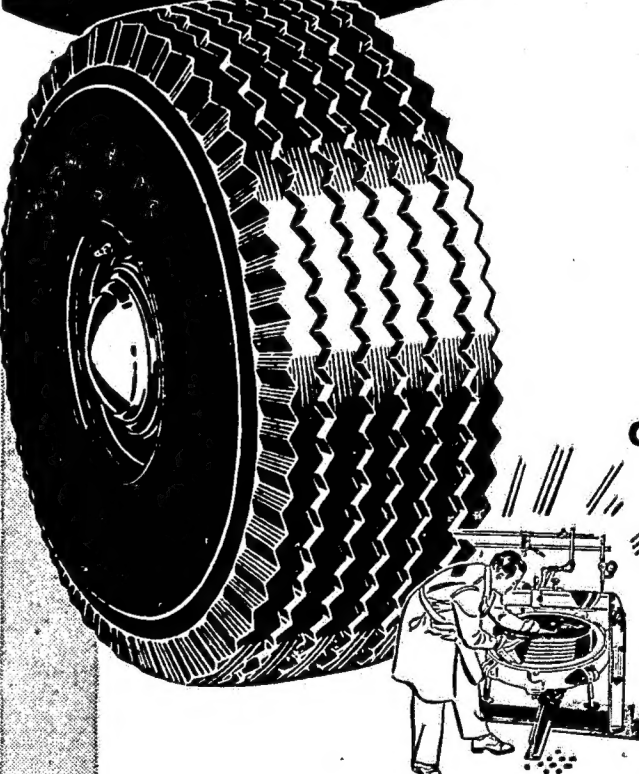


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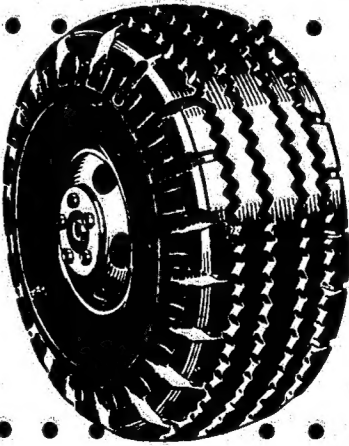


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Hamburger Grill.
(Serves 6)
1 pound hamburger
½ onion, grated, if desired
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ slices bacon
2 large bananas
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Combine meat, onion, salt, pepper. Mix well. Form cakes about 1 inch thick. Range stove rack. Broil 4 to 5 minutes, turning over halfway through cooking. Serve on buttered buns with sliced banana and tomato cucumber slices.

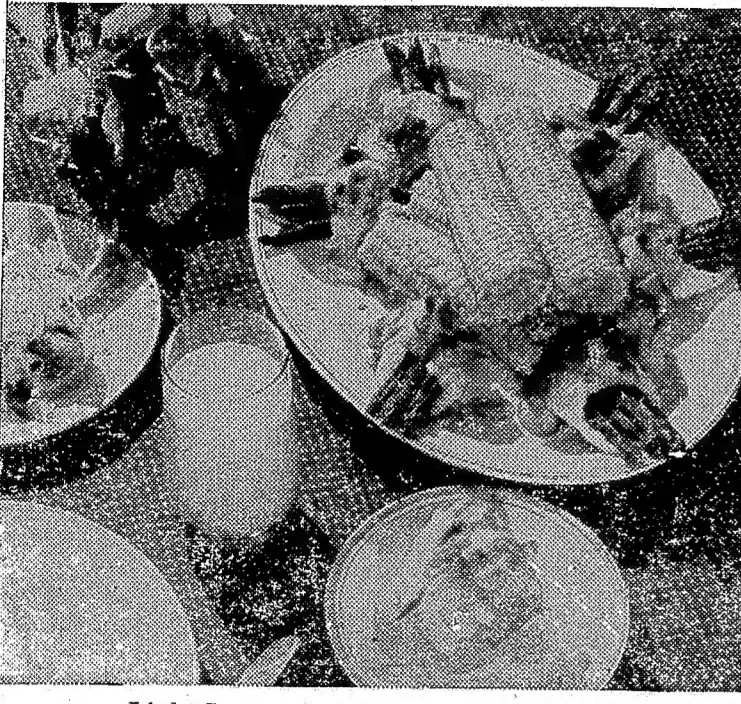
Molded Chicken a la King.
(Serves 8)
4 tablespoons butter or suet
¼ cup chopped green pepper
¼ cup sliced mushrooms
1 cup milk, scalded
¼ cup hot chicken stock
¼ cup chopped pimiento
1 egg yolks
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon gelatin
2 tablespoons cold water
Melt butter or substitute, add green pepper and mushrooms.

Perfect Salads. You'll like these sliced or sectioned, rolled in shredded coconut or nut cups.
Peach or apricot halves placed on top of shredded cabbage which is rich in vitamin C is a delightful salad for hot weather eating. Blend mayonnaise with peach juice or sour cream for a smooth dressing.
Odd bits of meat go well with the tops of vegetable salad. Shred or cube them and mix with bits of cheese, if necessary. Thousand Island dressing which is so excellent on quarters chilled lettuce is even better with a few wedges of meaty olives in it.

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS

by Lynn Chambers



Light Supper Is Cooling on a Hot Night (See Recipes Below)

Keep Kitchens Cool

Nothing makes the family's appetite wane quite so quickly as a meal that makes the house uncomfortably warm during hot weather. A cool and comfortable room, set with a table that suggests coolness, will be much more comfortable all the way around.

Mother would do best to plan a meal that is nourishing but not too hearty. The main dish and vegetables may be warm, but dessert and salad should be icy cold to suggest that summer was kept in mind during the planning of the menu.

If the bulk of the actual cooking is done during the cool mornings, when the kitchen can retain some semblance of coolness during the evening hours. Such things as cooking filling for pies, making cookies or cake or cooking vegetables for a salad can be prepared before the sun rises high in the sky and sends the temperature to the highest rungs of the thermometer.

Main entrees, if broiled, will also help during hot weather. They take only a few minutes to cook, like this low-point grill:

Hamburger Grill.

(Serves 6)

- 1 pound hamburger
- 1/2 onion, grated, if desired
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon pepper
- 4 slices bacon
- 2 large bananas
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Combine meat, onion, salt and pepper. Mix well. Form into 4 cakes about 1/2 inch thick. Arrange strips of bacon on broiling rack. Broil slowly until brown, turning when necessary. Drain on glazed paper while other food cooks. Arrange meat cakes on rack. Brush bananas with lemon juice and place alongside meat. Broil until meat is browned. To serve, arrange hamburgers on individual serving plates. Top each with a trip of bacon and place broiled banana slice at each side. Potato chips and tomato cucumber salad may be served with the grill.

- Chicken is delectable when cooked in a king, but it's invitingly cool when served molded. Then it can be sliced and served garnished with quartered hard-boiled eggs and tomato wedges:

Molded Chicken a la King.

(Serves 8)

- 4 tablespoons butter or substitute
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1 cup milk, scalded
- 1/2 cup hot chicken stock
- 1/2 cup chopped pimiento
- 1 cup diced cooked chicken
- 4 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon gelatin
- 2 tablespoons cold water

Melt butter or substitute. Then add green pepper and mushrooms

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus

- *Hamburger Grill with Bananas and Bacon
- Jellied Vegetable Aspic
- Green Beans
- Cream-Cheese-Whole-Wheat-Bread Sandwiches
- Beverage Lemon Chiffon Pie
- *Recipe given.

and cook slowly until tender but not browned. Blend in milk, stock, pimiento and chicken. Beat egg yolks, add lemon juice and pour a little of the liquid over the chicken mixture, stirring constantly. Stir egg yolks into the rest of the chicken mixture and cook over boiling water for 5 minutes, still stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add gelatin which has been soaked in cold water for 5 minutes. Turn into a mold and chill until set. Unmold and garnish with hard-cooked eggs quartered, tomato wedges and parsley.

One of the important points in cooking fish is to avoid overcooking. Here is a dish that can be turned out in less than half an hour:

Mackerel With Bacon and Onions.

(Serves 4)

- 1/2 pound cleaned fillets of mackerel
- Salt and pepper
- 1 cup sliced onions
- 4 tablespoons butter or drippings
- 1/2 cup soft bread crumbs
- 2 slices crisp bacon, broiled

Separate fillets and arrange in greased, shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Saute onions gently in butter until tender but not browned. Turn out on fish, sprinkle with crumbs and top with bacon. Bake in a hot (400-degree) oven until fish is done and crumbs are browned, about 15 minutes.

Hot evenings sometimes call for hearty main dish salads. Use a good protein food as a base so that it will be nourishing enough even for so-called appetites. Here are two good suggestions:

Baked Bean and Egg Salad.

(Serves 6)

- 1 medium sized can of baked beans
- 4 sweet pickles, chopped
- 3 hard-cooked eggs, sliced (reserve 6 slices for garnishing)
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 to 4 tablespoons mayonnaise

Chill beans until cold. Add the remaining ingredients in order given, mixing carefully. Arrange on nests of lettuce and garnish with sliced, hard-cooked egg and parsley.

Salmon Salad.

(Serves 6 to 8)

- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- 1 pound salmon, cooked or canned, shredded
- 1 medium green pepper, chopped
- 1/2 cup shredded cabbage
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons grated onion
- 12 slices chopped sweet pickle
- 3 tablespoons prepared yellow mustard
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

After salmon is shredded mix with chopped egg whites, green pepper, cabbage and celery, grated onion and pickles. Mash the egg yolks and blend well with mustard, vinegar, sugar, salt and pepper. Combine the two mixtures, blending thoroughly. Serve in cups of lettuce, garnished with radishes and whole slices of pickle.

French Fried Shrimp.

(Serves 6)

- 2 cups corn flakes
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 2 cups cooked jumbo shrimp

Roll corn flakes into fine crumbs. Dip shrimp in egg and then in cornflake crumbs. Fry in deep fat until brown (305 degrees F.). Serve plain or with tartar sauce.

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Long, Hard War Planned Against Japan by Allies

Aid of Russia Still an Open Question as to Effect on China

By Walter A. Sheard
WNU Staff Correspondent.

Editor's Note: This is the last of three articles dealing with the all-out war to be waged against Japan, and problems that must be met before peace can be established.

How the United States can maintain control over military bases in the Pacific and elsewhere without getting off an international land-grab in the peace settlement, is the subject of much discussion.

These military bases include the Marshall Islands, the Marianas, the Carolines, the Bonin and Volcano groups, all of which were mandated to Japan after World War I. It also likely would include the Gilbert Islands, perhaps bases in the Solomons and elsewhere in the South Pacific, Palau Islands, and also perhaps at Dakar on the west African coast and in Greenland.

Under the principles established in the Atlantic charter we are not land-grabbing for territory but we have taken the position that strategic areas should be regarded separately from colonial areas. With this in mind, the late President Roosevelt apparently made commitments that this country would not ask title to islands claimed by us for

unless a base for agreement can be reached between Stalin and the U. S. on the Chinese question, that war-weary nation is ripe for a revolution or civil war which may affect the entire Far East situation.

Our official attitude is that we have done everything we can do to assure Russia of our postwar intentions which includes in the background the possibility of a six billion dollar loan to Russia to be used for financing purchases of needed industrial equipment.

In the meantime, despite speculation that Japan may fold up and surrender on short notice, our military leaders are gearing their preparation for the Japanese war, figuring that it will take at least a year . . . and despite the fact that the army has announced it will release some million and a half troops, redeployment is being conducted with the idea that the five-million army will be necessary to whip the Japs. We cannot afford to take chances with speculation, but must prepare for the most the Japs can throw at us as we invade their mainland.

War Production Will Begin to Decline

War production will drop considerably and reconversion in some industries will get underway as a result of V-E Day on the German front, but the army and navy will get everything it asks in the way of production for the big push against the Jap mainland which may get underway as early as August. As the Okinawa campaign ends and our air bases are set up on that island of the Jap homeland, routine bombing of Jap naval bases at Nagasaki, Sasebo, Kure and Kobe may be expected in preparing the way for invasion of the Japan sea, that stretch of water between the Japanese Islands and the mainland of China.

Not only will Okinawa serve as a base for land based planes, but it may prove to be the jumping off place for invasion movements, so it may be assured that the new stage in the Jap war will get underway when Okinawa is finally set up as an operating base for the army and navy and our powerful air arm . . . which will not only include a larger fleet of B-29s but Flying Fortresses, Liberators and medium bombers, accompanied by fighter planes and fighter bombers.

No other outside territory except Korea is so strategically located as Okinawa with reference to Japan, controlling as it does the approach to Japan from Formosa and China. It may be that one more advance to



Emperor Hirohito.

military reasons, but would hold them under a trusteeship rather than on the basis of outright ownership.

As matters now stand terms of U. S. control of these mandated areas taken from Japan at such high cost will impose no restrictions nor time limits for their use for military purposes. More than likely we will come to some terms with Japan for similar use of Okinawa.

Problem of Mandate Islands in Pacific

It has cost us something like 200,000 casualties and upwards of a hundred billion dollars to wrest these mandated areas from Japan, and as Secretary of the Navy Forrestal said:

"It is unthinkable that those islands should not be a part of the pattern of American security in the Pacific." Resources of the islands are negligible. Total population runs about 120,000 . . . but as air and sea bases they are important in guarding the Philippines and our route across the Pacific.

There appear to be troubled times ahead for amicable cooperation between the United States, Britain and Russia in the Far East. In the first place our leaders are not definitely in agreement whether we want or need Russia's help in the Japanese war . . . they are not agreed whether complications which would arise as a result of Russian help may not become more difficult to handle than going it alone with the aid of the British navy. Evidences of mistrust on the part of Russia, and her failure to carry out commitments made at the Yalta conference is disturbing to American officials, for a settlement in the Far East is directly related to the degree of cooperation between the present allies.

Ambassador Patrick Hurley recently made a trip to Moscow in an attempt to obtain from Stalin his intentions on the muddled Chinese situation as between Chiang Kai-shek and the Venen communists. We are now fully committed to the support of Chiang Kai-shek and opposed to aiding the Chinese communists unless they are willing to take their place in the Chiang government. Stalin recently has been highly critical of Chiang and high officials here profess to fear that if Russia participates in the Chinese war, she may make territorial and other demands in Manchuria, Inner Mongolia and even in Korea.

The fear is openly expressed that



Chiang Kai-shek.

Korea will be made to forge this circular ring about Japan.

While we have lost several of our established air bases inside China, as a result of Japanese action, we are still making use of these bases for bombing flights to the Jap-held centers in French Indo-China and Thailand and, with the recent capture of Rangoon by the British forces in Burma and defeat of the Jap armies in that country, a concerted drive by the British through Thailand and down the Malayan peninsula may be expected to coincide with our invasion of the China coast.

Chiang's Hold a Precarious One

China's millions are an incohesive mass of hard-fighting patriotic people. They have suffered years of starvation diet and hardships, however, and the hold of Chiang over these millions is a precarious one. The Chinese Republic has been in existence since 1911, but after 34 years has not even adopted a constitution. For centuries before that time the Chinese people lived

under the domination of various forms of monarchy and banditry. When the Manchurians were overthrown in 1911 the Republic of China had practically nothing upon which to form a government. For almost 250 years the people had been living under the protection of foreign nations who had established extraterritorial rights and this consular jurisdiction.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Stretch your meat balls by adding oatmeal to the hamburger.

To keep slip-covers new looking, iron them on the wrong side.

Flat stones pressed beneath a porch that rests directly upon the earth will retard wood decay.

If brown sugar becomes lumpy, place a damp cloth in the jar with the sugar and cover it tightly.

Place a small hand brush, bristle side up, in the soap dish. Keep the soap on top of the brush and when you need to use the brush it will already be full of soap.

Boil a cracked dish for about three-quarters of an hour in enough sweet milk to cover it. The crack in the dish will become almost invisible.

Do not allow your vacuum cleaner bag to become filled with dirt before you empty it. It should be emptied frequently so as not to interfere with the flow of air.

Two spoons nailed to the wall about two inches apart makes a good place to hang the broom (upside down).

When boiling potatoes for mashing, cut them as for french fries. Much time and fuel will be saved.

Don't be annoyed by a food chopper that won't stay firmly anchored to the table. Put a piece of sandpaper, gritty side up, on the table before screwing the chopper in place above it.

Cut blotting paper to fit the bottom of the large salt shaker. This will take up the dampness, leaving the salt dry and free running.

An old Turkish towel is good for removing dust from upholstered furniture. Wet the towel, wring it dry, and spread over piece to be cleaned. Beat with a broomstick. Escaping dust clings to the towel.

Bill Was Just Survivin' And Doing Good Job of It

The offhand quality of the Negro serviceman's courage is neatly summed up in an incident reported by a fellow who participated in the second battle of the Philippines, last fall. His ship, the Lexington, picked up some of the crew of the Princeton after she went down, among them a Negro mess attendant.

The rescued man was sitting in the wardroom pantry, dripping and drinking coffee, when an old friend of his happened by.

"Why, it's Bill!" the friend exclaimed. "What you doing here?"

Bill's answer was precise and modest. "Ah's survivin'," he said.



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METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor
9:45 Church School. Miss Minnie Wilson, superintendent. Primary classes will not meet this Sunday. All juniors and upper classes will meet, as usual.
11:00 Children's Day program by all the classes of the church school. There will be baptism of little children and also reception into the membership of the church of a group of young people.
The Youth Fellowship meetings have been discontinued for the summer.

The Eleanor Gordon Guild will have an outdoor supper meeting at Mrs. Elsie Davis' home on Wednesday, June 20, at 6:30 o'clock. Barbara Luxton and Virginia Keniston are hostesses.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Services Sunday morning at 10:45.
Testimonial meeting is held every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.
"God the Preserver of Man" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 17.

The Golden Text is: "Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee. Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles" (Psalms 25: 21-22).

The citations from the Bible include the following passages:
"He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble. I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation" (Psalms 91: 15-16).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following selections from the Christian Science textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy: "SALVATION: Life, Truth, and Love understood and demonstrated as supreme of all; sin, sickness, and death destroyed" (page 593: 20-22).

MARRIED
In Portland, June 2, Leonard Pich of Oklahoma and Miss Patricia Day of Bethel.

In Bryant Pond, June 5, Robert B. Reempts, aged 65 years.
In West Bethel, June 10, Archie Hutchinson, aged 76 years.

H & W NAMES BOAT

FOR BILL HALL
A Hollingsworth & Whitney Company, named for Bill Hall formerly of Bethel, has been in use this spring on Spencer Lake. The following story appeared in the Bangor News last spring.

"A spruce looking and serviceable towboat for pulpwood, built by workmen of the Dead River Company in Orono, had been owned by Hollingsworth & Whitney Company of Waterville since yesterday afternoon on a long tick from Orono to Spencer Lake near Jackman."

Mounted on a trailer truck owned by E. A. McCone of Augusta, the towboat, which is 36 feet long, has a nine foot beam and will be driven by an 80 h p Diesel Lohr's engine, was carried over the state road to Bingham—thence through Lake.

When the ice is out, she will be launched; and she will be used to tow logs across the lake to Spencer stream. They will be driven down this stream to the Dead River and thence to the Hollingsworth & Whitney Mills at Waterville on the Kennebec—a continuous waterway. No overland haul therefore, is necessary.

The Hollingsworth & Whitney Company expects to cut about 1,000 cords in the Spencer Lake tract. The woods operations have been by German prisoners of war at the Spencer Lake, which is of course under government control. The number of these prisoners is a military secret. A representative of the company, who is expected to be here tomorrow, says they may have averaged seven tenths of a cord per man a day. This is less than half what experienced woodsmen would cut, but on the other hand, it is more than many expected.

Cutting pulpwood calls for years of training. It isn't something to be learned overnight. Everything considered these prisoners are believed to be reasonably willing workers and to be doing as well as could be expected of men unfamiliar with the woods. That is a big subject about which a good deal has already been written.

The Hollingsworth and Whitney Company pays Uncle Sam the prevailing wages for woodsmen, and Uncle Sam, in turn, pays each of these prisoners 50 cents a day. But they are also well fed and have comfortable quarters.

The Dead River Company, a pulpwood buyer and seller, built the big towboat at its Orono plant—formerly the Orono Pulp and Paper Company—as an accommodation to Hollingsworth & Whitney. The work was done by Fred Robinson of the Dead River Company, and his assistants. It is named for Bill Hall, a well known guide.

SCHOOL NOTES

Grade Four
Pupils not absent or tardy during the last six weeks: Mary Susan

Grade Five
Pupils not absent or tardy during the last six weeks: Jean Connor, Paul Fossett, Richard Onofrio, Janice Starnes, Jeri Brown.

Grade Six
Pupils not absent or tardy during the last six weeks: Barbara Joy, Jean Connor, Richard Onofrio, Janice Starnes, Jeri Brown.

Grade Seven
Pupils not absent or tardy during the last six weeks: Mary Susan

CPL. ERNEST GALLANT TELLS OF 15 MONTHS IN E T O

Letter received from Cpl. Ernest Gallant, by his wife, tells of his travels and experiences since he left the states 15 months ago. Cpl. Gallant is with the anti-aircraft in Holland, and has recently been awarded the good conduct medal, and ETO ribbon with two bronze stars.

May 5, 1945
Huybergen, Holland
On the 25th of Feb., 1944, we left the Boston Port of Embarkation on the USS George Washington, arriving at Liverpool, England, on the 11th of March. On the 12th, we arrived by train at Dan-Y-Park in Friesland, Holland. Incidentally, Dan-Y-Park is located within a few miles of where the movie "How Green Was My Valley" was made. On the 15th of April we went to Tonsburg, Wales. That was a very busy week. We spent a week there on the firing range. The 13th of April we arrived at Botesford, Holland. The time spent there was mostly on classes such as the use of gases, airplane identification, and infantry drill. Botesford is about 15 miles from Nottingham.

The 14th of June we went to Middle Wallop, England, then to the Marshalling Area, at Southampton, on the 20th of June. On the 23rd we landed in France, at Reims. There we spent six days of hell, living in foxholes and ditches day and night, with nothing but the clothes we wore while crossing the channel. At that time, the front lines were about six or eight miles in front of us. It seemed funny at first, to lie there at night listening to the firing in the front lines. The 25th our equipment came in, so we moved to Quinville. There we were in the guns and fired at one German plane that happened to be fooling around. The 7th of August we moved to Loudeac, Brittany. From there to Commanche, the 28th. On the 29th we arrived at Toulon, where we were assigned to the 1st Field Artillery.

Right here is where I want to tell you something I have never told you before. For all, I did not go to the front, and secondly, I would have been a very good soldier. I received a shrapnel wound on my right hand. I happened to be in the wrong place at the right time when a German plane was shot down. I was taken to medical and they patched me up, and also sent in a report to Washington. A special order came back, stating that I was entitled to the Purple Heart. When I got it I will send it to you. My wounds weren't serious enough for the War Department to notify you, so you see you don't have to worry. Anyway it happened nearly a year ago now.

So much for that—now to continue on with my story. After leaving Botesford, we went to Morlaix. The 1st of Sept. we left there. There we were able to build ourselves houses to live in, using some beds we got from German barracks to sleep on. The 2nd of October we moved to Le Havre, where we again built houses. At Le Havre we had to be careful where we walked because of German mines. Step on one of them and you are a "goner".

The 20th of October we arrived at Berlaar, Belgium. Then on the 6th of February, 1945 we moved up to Stalbroek, Belgium. From there, on the 20th of Feb., we moved to our present position, which is Huybergen, Holland. During this time we arrived at Berlaar, where we were now, our mission was to drive in the 9th of Feb. Our battery is credited with 97 of them. It is a thrill of a life time to see them explode in the air, but not so much fun if they are just crippled and don't explode anywhere near the gun positions. I've seen some of the holes they make and believe me, they are big ones.

Since Germany quit sending rockets, which was a few days before V-E day, we haven't been doing much. We have classes about an hour infantry drill a day and a few classes. We have quite a bit of time for recreation. We play football, volleyball, ping-pong and horseshoes. I only hope now we don't have to stay here too long.

Well, now you have just about the whole story on our travels since we left the states up to now. There are still a few things I'll tell you everything when I get home, which I hope is soon.

Kneeland, Beverly Onofrio, Florence Onofrio, William Penner, Corrie Wernemchuk, Barry York.
Not absent or tardy for entire year: Beverly Onofrio, Barry York.

Grade III
Pupils not absent or tardy the last six weeks: Jean Connor, Paul Fossett, Richard Onofrio, Janice Starnes, Jeri Brown.

Grade IV
Pupils not absent or tardy for the year: Jean Connor, Richard Onofrio, Janice Starnes, Jeri Brown.

Grade V
Pupils not missing a word in spelling for the entire year: Mary Ann Myers.

Grade VI
The following have not been absent during the last six weeks: Kenneth Bumpus, Edward Carter, Howard Donahue, Patricia Gunther, Franklin Harrington, Barbara Joy, Ruth Murphy, Malvern Wilson.

The following have not been absent or tardy during the last six weeks: Barbara Joy, Howard Donahue.

The following are seven pupils: Mary Jane Chapman, Lee Carroll, Ruth Hall, Suzanne White, Robert Wernemchuk, Edward Carter, Eleanor Sumner, Howard Donahue, Kenneth Bumpus.

EAST BETHEL

Miss Isabel Kimball of Lewiston and friend were at Mrs. Richard Houle's Sunday.
June Foster spent the week end with Ann Hastings.
Buddy Kneeland is the guest of Lendall Nevins a few days this week.

Miss Eva Bean was the guest of Mrs. John Howe and family over Tuesday and Wednesday.
Mrs. Blanche Trask and Mrs. Edith Howe attended the meeting of the Shemokwa Temple, P. S. Friday at Hanover.

Mrs. Edith Howe was the guest of Mrs. Herman Mason Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.
Jack Clark and brother of Everett and Harry Blake of Malden spent the week end in their trailer, and visited Mrs. Ida Blake and Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rich of Canton were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ida Blake.
Freeman Merrill was home over the week end from Camp Edwards, Mass.

Mrs. Annie Stowell and daughter, Beatrice of Yarmouth visited at Mrs. E. A. Billings. Mrs. Stowell went to Hanover for a few days with her sister, Mrs. Richardson, and then returned here for a long visit with her sister, Mrs. Lillings.

Mrs. Robert Billings of Hanover is guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Billings.
Sgt. Herbert H. Allen visited his brother, Edward Allen at Almon Coddridge's Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Harrington was taken ill Sunday and is under the care of a physician.

Keith Bartlett and Robert Curtis are ill and unable to attend school.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Coddridge were at Edgar Coddridge's Sunday.
John F. Irvine received word Saturday of the sudden death of his brother, Jerrold Irvine at Windsor between Windsor and Chicago.

John Irvine left Monday for St. Thomas, Ont., where services were held Wednesday.

RATION TIMETABLE

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POODS—NOW GOOD:
Blue Stamps: N-2 through Z-2 and A-1 through H-1, in Book Four, worth 10 points each. N-2 through S-2 expire June 30; T-2 through X-2 expire July 31; Y-2 and A-1 through H-1 expire Sept. 30.

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*Priscilla Jane Carver

*Patricia Duncan
*Robert Alan Foster
*Mary Leona Gibbs
Barbara Ruth Hastings
Stephen Southworth Hopkinson
*Claire Audrey Lapham
Ruthmarie Malnati
Pamela Parsons
Terri Tupper Ralph
Willard Robertson
Helen Robinson Smith
Mary Ayer Swasey
*Phyllis Tebbets
*Emil Everett Winter, Jr.
Archie Lewis Young, Jr.

General Course—
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Frederick Wallace Kneeland
William Burdett Moore
Lewis Paul Newton
Patricia Frances O'Brien
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Corinne Gertrude Boyker
Barbara Eunice Browne
Phyllis Arlene Morrill
Emma Adeline Stetson
*Musa Kathleen Swan
Dorothy Leona West
Commercial Course—
*Kathleen Virginia Kellogg
Pauline Elizabeth Boyker
Thelma Betty Warren
Barbara Leona Wilson
Stenographic Course—
Mary Lou Chapman
Manual Arts Course—
Ralph Leroy Grover
Maureen L. Kendall
John Reuben Mills
Certificate—
Lillian Frances Coburn
Robert M. Swift
Elaine Searle Vail
Honor Students

Diplomas authorized by State Department, Board for course credits completed at Gould and Army credits:
David Howe Hawkins
Edward Harvey Mosher
Alice M. Reynolds
Howard Blaine Sanborn
William Brooks Swasey
Joseph O. Wellington

David Ware Hays, diploma as of June 25, 1945
Fred is Mason, diploma as of July 12, 1945

The Gould Academy Alumni Dinner was held at Gehring Hall at 12:30 p. m. The following program was presented:
Welcome to Class of 1945
President, Mrs. Doris Lord
Violin solo by Miss Shirley Read, Class of '44, of Rehoboth, Mass., accompanied at the piano by Miss Ann Griggs, "First Movement from a Violin Concerto" by Beethoven, "The Old Refrain" by Fritz Kreisler

Report of officers and business meeting
Headmaster E. F. Ireland and the Rev. John J. Foster each spoke briefly to the Association. The guest speaker, Dr. Charles F. Phillips, President of Bates College, was most interesting, and his talk on "Plans for Education" was enjoyed by all.

The officers for next year were elected as follows: President, Franklin Chapman; Vice-President, Floyd Mason; Secretary, Kathryn Davis Hamlin; Treasurer, Carrie M. Wright; Executive Committee, Iva Bartlett Hutchinson, Daniel Wright, Barbara Luxton, Richard Young, Celia Gorman, Doris Bryant, and Evans Wilson.

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